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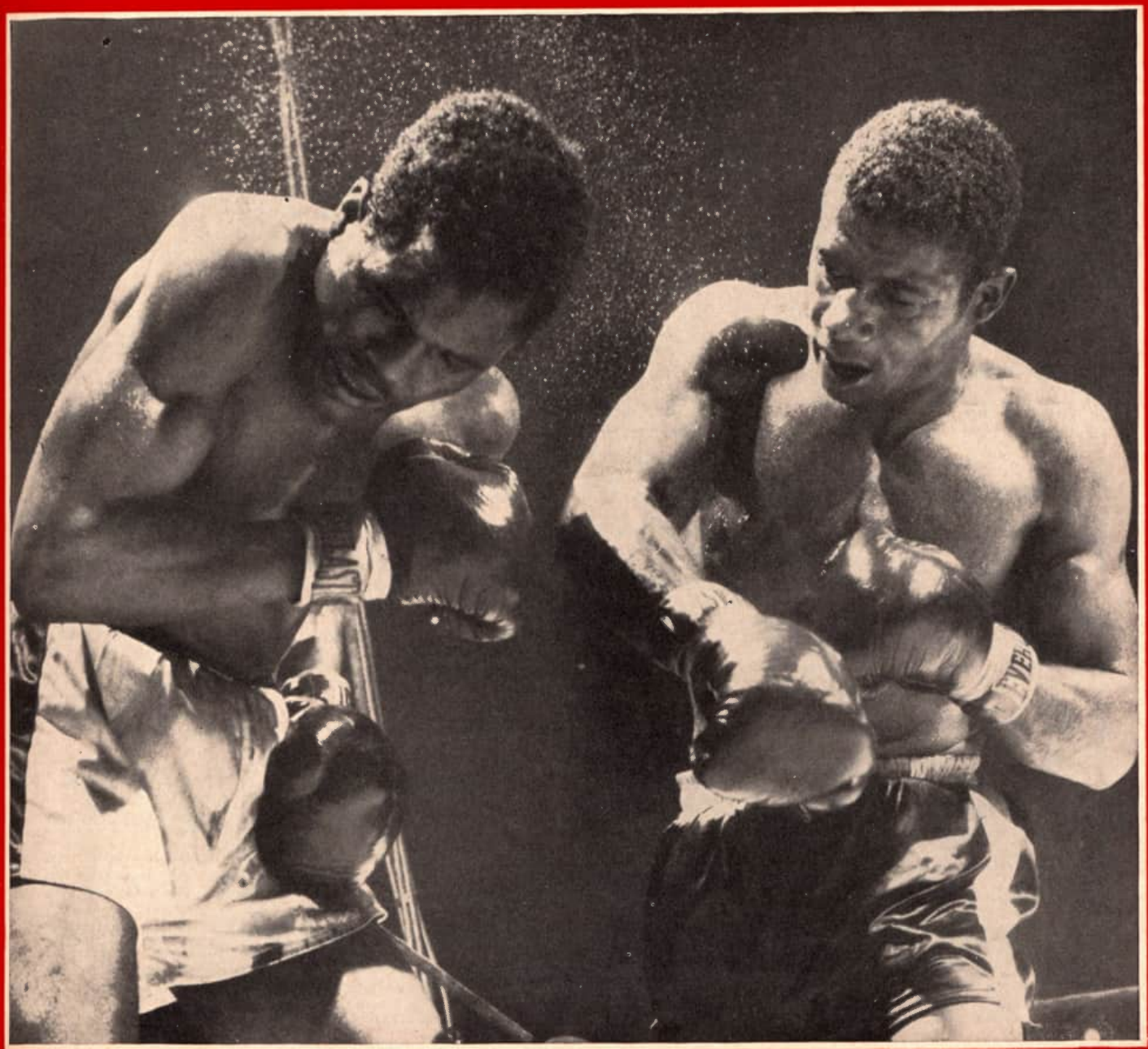

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In these days of boxing needing new faces, it is encouraging to see the progress made by fighters like Larry Baker, the Mt. Vernon, N. Y. welterweight, and Harold Gomes, Providence, R. I., junior lightweight. The next issue carries special feature yarns on both these exciting youngsters who are making a name for themselves. There will also be a story on the top fighters of Mexico, currently a hotbed of fistic activity.

The Ring and The Stage have a close affinity with quite a few fighters through the years entering the field of entertainment and vice-versa. Read Bill Miller's interesting off-stage story of these two businesses which mix so well and afford the fans so much pleasure.

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IBC — LOSES FIGHT

The Ring Editor analyzes Judge Ryan's verdict against the Norris Boxing Empire. Will the decree rid boxing of its evils?

By NAT FLEISCHER

ON the surface, the decision of Federal Judge Sylvester Ryan in the case of the Federal Government vs. the International Boxing Club, James Norris and Madison Square Garden, appears to be a merited punishment for serious offenses, and numerous infringements of the laws against monopolies.

The Ryan verdict impresses the average follower of boxing as a denunciation of, and a punishment for, predatory capital acting against the best interests of the public good, and of boxing itself.

But digging below the surface, the analyst finds in the midst of the maze of legalistic phraseology and mature judicial judgments, developments which give to the decision tinges of confiscation, and elements of a lack of knowledge of the composition of the corpus boxiana.

In many respects the Ryan decision resembles the judgments of members of the Congress who feel that the reserve clause under which the major baseball leagues operate is unjust to the players.

Without the reserve clause, just as it stands, baseball cannot function.

Without the International Boxing Club, revised by adoption of some of the Ryan good recommendations, professional boxing in the United States will have a rugged time of it.

The Ring magazine holds no brief for the IBC, for Norris, for Arthur Wirtz and their connection with Madison Square Garden.

They did quite a few things which were inimical to the best interests of boxing and the public good. They certainly asked for some of the trouble which the Ryan decision has heaped upon them.

But, as between the situation in boxing before the Federal action against the IBC, and the chaos which now will reign, "The Ring" magazine most emphatically chooses the former state of affairs.

"The Ring" magazine recognizes Judge Ryan as an eminent and capable jurist. It appreciates the validity of some of his judgment on the basis of anti-monopoly law. But even he seems to be uncertain about the accuracy of his judgment against the Norris organization.

But "The Ring" magazine wonders if Judge Ryan knows what a Pandora's box he has opened.

The decision curbs responsible operators with strong financial standing and high integrity as respectors of a contract, but leaves the case wide open for review.

The decision breaks up responsible, integrated, business-like operation and invites into the American boxing scene, "honest competitors finding themselves confronted with opportunities for fair bargaining."

OPENS FIELD FOR UNDERGROUND PROMOTERS TO TAKE OVER

Who are likely to be these promoter replacements for the IBC?

What are the antecedents, the personal histories, of some of the men who now will offer themselves as fight promoters?

What are the underground connections of some of those who, "The Ring" magazine knows, now will come forward in the guise of protectors of boxing, and battlers in the righteous cause of boxing welfare and public good?

Judge Ryan, in your devotion to a just decision based on legalistic considerations, you know not what you have done.

Judge Ryan on March 8 found the Madison Square Garden Corporation, the Chicago Stadium Corporation, James D. Norris and Arthur Wirtz, his partner, guilty of conspiracy in unreasonable restraint of trade in the promotion of professional championship boxing and of conspiracy to monopolize trade and commerce in the same field in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act.

Norris is the president of Madison Square Garden and Wirtz, a member of the Board of Directors and partner of Norris.

The judge decreed that the International Boxing Clubs of New York and Chicago, subsidiaries of the Garden and the Chicago Stadium, respectively, must be dissolved. Here are other highlights of Judge Ryan's decree:

Both Wirtz and Norris are forbidden to have exclusive contracts for the leasing of any arena in a stadium which they do not own.

The decree states that neither Norris nor Wirtz may rent the Garden for the promotion of professional boxing for the next five years.

They must stay out of the Garden even as a competitor of the House that Tex Rickard built for that duration.

The Judge ruled also that both the Garden and Chicago Stadium must be open for rental to independent promoters at a reasonable fee to be fixed by the court, if necessary.

Norris and Wirtz must dispose of their 39 percent of the Garden stock. The total number of shares in the Garden amounts to 550,000.

The stock of Norris and Wirtz must be turned over to Referees Frankenthaler, former New York Surrogate and former Federal Judge of the Eastern District, Harold M. Kennedy, who are empowered to vote the 39 percent of their Garden shares until Norris and Wirtz sell them. They have five years to do so. Should the stock not have been disposed of by then, the trustees have an additional two years within which the same may be done.

Wirtz and Norris must sever all connections with the Garden.

The judgment shows that Norris is barred from doing any business in the Garden for five years after which he can do so as a lessee. But he is not barred from promoting in New York, otherwise.

Judge Ryan gave a ray of hope to the defendants by stipulation that, "at any time during the five years, when changing conditions warrant it, any or all of the injunctions could be reviewed by the Federal Court and another decision

Those effected by Judge Ryan's decision seen leaving the Federal Court before the verdict was given. Left to right: James D. Norris, I.B.C. President; Truman Gibson, Executive Secretary; Charles Sawyer, I.B.C. Attorney; Arthur Wirtz, Vice President, I.B.C.; John Reed Kilpatrick, Chairman of the Board of Madison Square Garden Corp.; Ned Irish, Executive Vice President of Madison Square Garden Corp.; and Harry Markson, Managing Director of the I.B.C.

on the questions involved could be rendered."

In this the jurist indicated his uncertainty of the legality of his decree.

Though most of the clauses in the injunction show a limitation of five years for each decree, Norris' and Wirtz' severance with the Garden is "complete and irrevocable."

In addition to the decrees of divertiture, divorcement and dissolution, exclusive contracts with boxers and arenas were ruled out and both the Garden and Norris, now as competitors, are limited to staging two championship fights per year for the next five.

After five years the restriction on return bouts is lifted with the stipulation that one such can take place provided it is held within eight months following the first fight.

Jim Norris had hoped that he would be permitted during the five year period to bid against other independent promoters for the use of the Garden, but the Judge's decree put a crimp into that.

EMANCIPATION STILL FAR IN BACKGROUND

I doubt there will be an emancipation as the average fight fan and promoter thinks.

The IBC has been found guilty of signing long term contracts with Jim Norris, thereby stifling boxing, nationwide because other promoters couldn't obtain the services of these men without the sanction of Norris.

While he and the IBC have been the only target in this respect, it is noteworthy that commissions in many parts of the country have openly permitted club owners to operate also as promoters and managers without the government or the commissions stepping in.

Such flagrant violations of boxing that definitely should come under the head of monopoly, exists with molestation throughout the country. We find them in New England, in the south and on the West Coast and if these promoters were driven from boxing, as Judge Ryan has ordered in the case of the IBC, we would have no boxing in this country.

The same situation exists in London, in France and in Italy. It is common procedure much like what is done in the movie world and in the theatrical business. Stars are signed for long terms and occasionally are loaned out to rivals.

And so it will continue to be regardless of Judge Ryan's sweeping decision.

More fight clubs will enter the field of competition. They will stage their shows for a while then fold up as in the past few years because of the inroads made by television and other difficulties big time promotion encounters. Only the major organizations can exist through financial success because they are not dependent on the attendance.

The sponsors of the TV program pay the freight. Since this is limited in the field of national boxing, there won't be too much progress by those organizations other than the half dozen major ones now in operation.

AN ERA IN PROFESSIONAL BOXING HAS ENDED

Through the voice of Federal Judge Sylvester J. Ryan, Uncle Sam has tossed professional boxing into a new cycle. He has ended an era. The Court has made its decree so strong that it feels certain open competition will get under way shortly and boxing will be freed from what has been generally described as the "Octopus". But I have my doubts.

In boxing it takes tight contracts to hold on to the stars and under the edict of the court, such contracts no longer may be made by boxing promoters if the IBC decision stands. The top men in boxing go where there is the most money and where they are certain they will get their pay when their job is finished.

Norris and Wirtz have what it takes to hold such men in line. Will others be able to do likewise? There have been many defaulters in the past, but not in the Norris organization.

The success of boxing depends on the colorful talent, keen rivalry and the development of new faces. Little of each of those have been in evidence during the past few years under the Norris regime. For that the I.B.C. is to blame.

Men like Sugar Ray Robinson, Rocky Marciano, Carmen Basilio, Archie Moore among probably a dozen others have kept the sport alive and the Norris organization has been blamed for the existing condition because of its failure to develop talent.

Too many old faces have been used time and again. The TV programs have been given over to one small group said to be controlled by sinister characters with the result that talented managers who normally would bring out new faces, have abandoned the field due to lack of work and inability to receive a fair share of the TV purses.

The I.B.C. must face these facts. This condition should have been corrected long ago.

A monopoly can be a good one and a bad one, the latter, one that is detrimental to the welfare of the sport. The Norris organization despite the attacks against it, is one that boxing can use and needs, but intelligence and vision are essential for success.

Better foresight, stricter attention to the needs of boxing, less attention to the "big shots" who have received the bulk of the favored spots and the abandonment of catering

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INSIDE BOXING . . . .

HERE'S WHAT THOSE INSIDE BOXING HAVE TO SAY ABOUT JUDGE RYAN'S DECISION TO DISBAND THE INTERNATIONAL BOXING CLUB

JULIUS HELFAND

Chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission

I understand that the International Boxing Club intends to file an appeal with the United States Supreme Court. As a member of the Bar, I don't think it proper on my part to make a statement in the light of a stay. So long as there is to be a review of Judge Ryan's decree, there will be no comment from my office.

CUS D'AMATO

Manager of the heavyweight champion of the world, Floyd Patterson

Boxing at last has been freed from a monopoly. I took my heavyweight champion, Floyd Patterson, away from Jim Norris, because I objected to the methods pursued by the I.B.C. The hold that Norris and his organization has had on boxing has brought about the chaotic state in which it finds itself. Judge Ryan's decision, I believe, will clear the field, make it possible for independent promoters to bid for top matches.

Boxing will boom as a result of Judge Ryan's decree.

AL WEILL

Promoter, matchmaker and manager. Was pilot of Rocky Marciano, ex-heavyweight champion of the world

I've been brought up in boxing and I don't want to see the sport hurt nor anyone in it hurt. Competition is a good thing in all business. We need as many promoters in boxing as we can get, the big time promoter like Jim Norris and the small fry.

EMIL LENCE

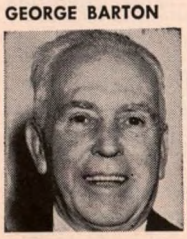
Promoter of the heavyweight championship contest between Floyd Patterson and Tommy Jackson

It is too early to evaluate the full effect of Judge Ryan's decision in the Norris case. If it results in everyone, including Norris, being given an opportunity to promote bouts, the sport of boxing must benefit.

In sports as in business, proper competition is the keynote of success; without it, both become stagnant. The recent jump in baseball attendance resulting from the close competition races in both leagues is a fine illustration.

With the promotion of boxing thrown open to all I am positive that the calibre of fights will greatly improve; as in the Patterson-Jackson match, champions will fight leading contenders and matches will be made on the basis of what the public demands and not in total disregard of the public.

GEORGE BARTON



Over 50 years as a boxer, referee and sports editor

I concur with Judge Sylvester Ryan's decision but it is difficult to visualize at this time what affect it will have on boxing. Many promoters who operated small clubs were forced out of business by bi-weekly televised shows presented by the International Boxing Club. Most of them entered other fields of endeavor and may remain out of boxing because Judge Ryan's decision does not affect continuance of televised fights staged Wednesday and Friday nights by IBC except IBC is restricted to promotion of only two championship fights a year. TV fans are so accustomed to watching fights for free I doubt whether they will pay to attend fights in sufficient numbers to make it possible for independent promoters to operate on profitable basis except in cities where they are fortunate enough to develop talent with large local followings.

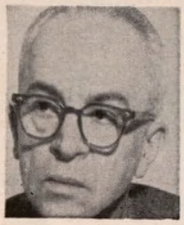
TEDDY BRENNER

Promoter, St. Nicholas Arena of New York City

Boxing is a basic sport. It is also an ageless one, being in existence almost since man was born and had to defend himself.

I believe that boxing will continue regardless of any court decision for or against any group or individual promoter. The public is interested only in who is boxing in the ring and not outside the ropes. I look for very little change.

GEORGE PARNASSUS



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Boxing will definitely be seriously affected by Judge Ryan's decision, because anytime one does away with responsible promoters, men can be relied upon for guarantees and good promotions, regardless of what might be termed a monopoly, it is bound to hurt the sport. We need men like Jim Norris in boxing.

Big business to-day is definitely monopoly but without the responsible people in back of such business, it would be a failure. That's why I think that the verdict against the IBC and its officers is too far fetched. It is an undeserving verdict.

As a manager of international boxers for thirty-six years, a former promoter and present matchmaker of West Coast's largest, leading and oldest club, the Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles, I should know whereof I speak.

SAM SILVERMAN

New England's outstanding promoter

My reaction to Federal Judge Ryan's ruling that the IBC is a monopoly and must be broken up, is, of course, a feeling that boxing is at last receiving a breath of fresh air after having been strangled for so long.

I feel that Judge Ryan's ruling didn't go far enough. He should have also ended Jim Norris' ruling of television, which is an equal monopoly.

Norris stands alone as the big offender, with his IBC blackjack—the weapon which has wiped out independent promoters throughout the country.

When the great day finally comes that boxing is free of the IBC and its threats of "play ball with us or else," you will see that boxing will enjoy one of its greatest eras.

Little fight clubs will spring up throughout the country when Norris' reign comes to an end and boxing will once again take its place as a great sport.

BOBBY GLEASON

Manager of heavyweight contender Nino Valdes

Regarding Judge Ryan's decision, breaking up an organization, especially when it has been operating around the country, won't do any good for the sport. When you destroy such an organization, you expect another to take its place and who knows what is in store for us under new management?

There must be financial security to run boxing on a big scale. The very type of promoters we managers have been battling for a long time may take over and make things worse for all in the game.

CHRIS DUNDEE

Ex-manager and presently promoter of the Miami Beach Auditorium

I felt that the decision handed to Jim Norris was a stern one—as boxing needs a Jim Norris—and there will always be "A Jim Norris" in boxing. If it won't be Jim Norris then it will be someone like him. If it isn't the IBC, then it will be the XYZ—or some other organization, as boxing is Big Business and needs a well organized outfit to head it. I feel Jim Norris has been a tremendous boost to boxing.

The future of boxing to me is good. Lately all that has been brought out is scandal but sooner or later the good things in boxing must be brought out.

JIMMY BRONSON

Promoter, manager and referee

Since the birth of man, boxing has been a most popular sport, closer to the hearts of man than any other sport. I have lived through half a dozen depressions, some when boxing was not yet legalized but no matter how bad conditions were, the public continued to follow it on barges, in the back rooms of saloons and on the greensward. In World War One boxing outdrew our national pastime by over 400,000. In our armed forces it was the most popular of all and it helped put our boys in fighting trim for the Huns.

Regardless of what man may do in so far as our laws are concerned, boxing will continue to the end of time. It is my opinion as a veteran of more than half a century association with it, that Judge Ryan's decision to break up the Jim Norris outfit may hurt those associated with him but won't hurt boxing any. I look for it to get back into normal strides.

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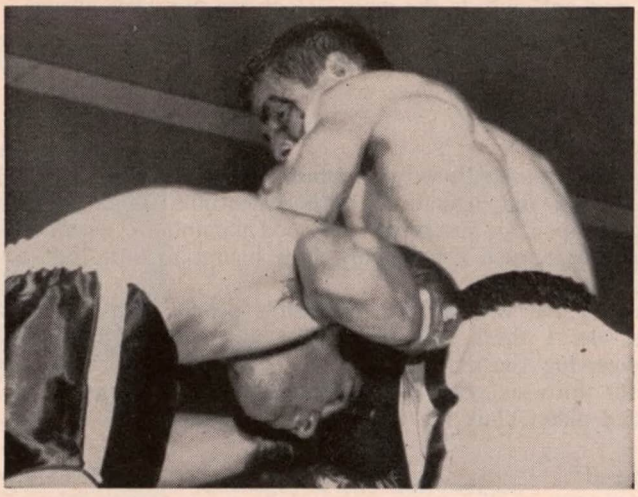
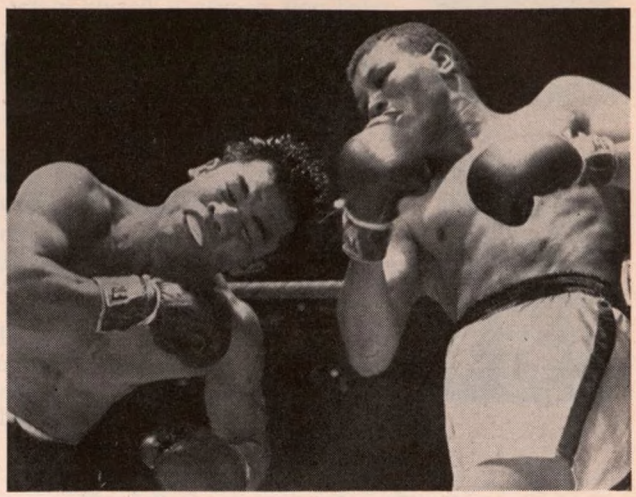
FIGHTS OF THE MONTH



Harold Gomes (left) bores in to midsection of Lulu Perez during their junior lightweight contest at Cleveland which was won by Gomes in convincing fashion. The fight was halted by the referee in the sixth round giving Gomes a TKO victory, as TV fans looked on.



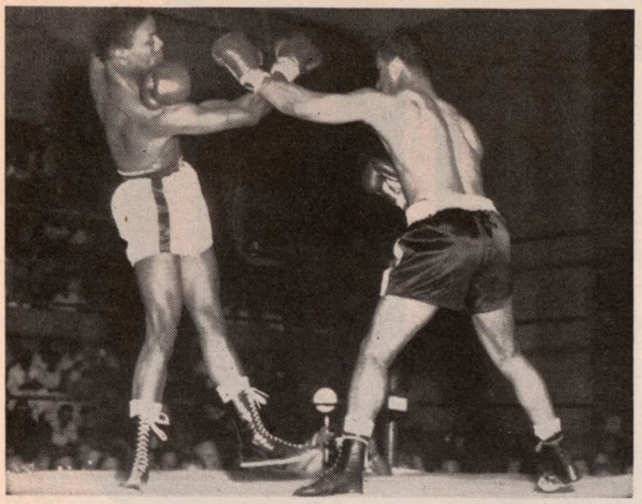
At the Chicago Stadium two highly regarded middleweights battled it out for Video and "live" fans. Chebo Hernandez of Mexico and Willie Vaughn (right) of Los Angeles, Cal., chopped away at each other with Vaughn gaining a TKO win in the seventh round.

Joey Giambra of Buffalo, N. Y. and Rory Calhoun of White Plains, N.Y., slugged it out at the Syracuse War Memorial Arena to a ten round draw. Calhoun (left) seen as he slips a left lead by Giambra and gets ready to pepper Giambra downstairs.

Larry Baker (right) of New York throws a snapping right to jaw of highly rated welterweight Gaspar Ortega of Mexico during their ten round contest at Miami Beach, Florida. Baker, the underdog, scored a split decision, thereby gaining a position in the first ten welters.

The NBA version Bantam champ Raul Macias of Mexico put his crown on the line in San Francisco, Cal., Cow Palace, and defeated Dommy Ursua of the Philippine Islands when the referee halted the bout at 2:02 of the 11th round of a scheduled 15 round contest.

THE OFFENSIVE!

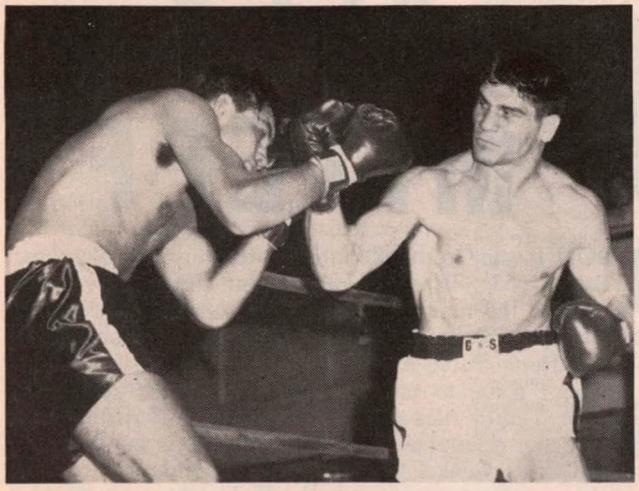


At Norfolk, Va., Walt Byars (right) who gained fame by breaking the bubble of invincibility surrounding Sugar Hart was unable to do the same in his fight with welterweight contender Virgil Akins of St. Louis, Mo. Akins won a unanimous and unpopular decision from Byars by using a long range attack and refusing to acknowledge Byars invitation to mix it up in close.

MORE MOORE!

Isidro Martinez, transplanted from Panama to New York, a switch hitter, failed to baffle young Davey Moore of Springfield, Ohio, and the underdog upset the rated Martinez in a ten round unanimous decision at Washington, D. C. The TV watchers saw Moore dump Martinez (photo above) and when the South America beat the count he ran into more of Moore's harder punching.

"ME TOUGH"—MITEFF!



At St. Nicholas Arena, N. Y. Alex Miteff, fast coming Argentina heavyweight (left), is seen taking an uppercut to the jaw thrown by Fernando Fala of Philadelphia. Fala was unable to answer the bell for the second round due to a cut on his brow. Miteff is unbeaten.

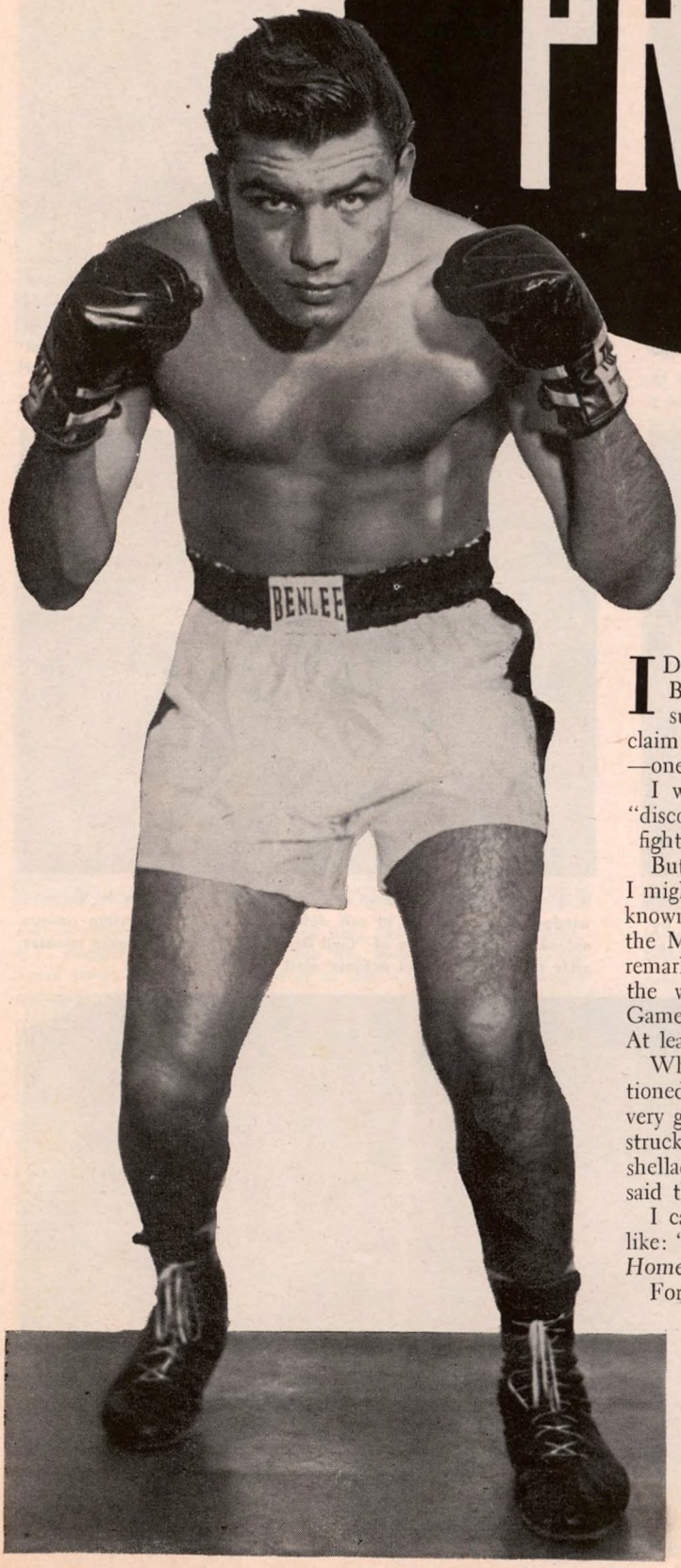
IT'S ALL DEFENSE

U. S. Olympic welter champ Joe Shaw puts on show in N. Y. store window illustrating art of self defense aimed at impressing curious onlookers of importance of "Civil Defense". Photo was taken minutes prior to a practice civil defense alert.

Candid Camera shots, left page and above show how Ursua looked during the contest in which he threw plenty of leather right up to the end but he was outclassed by the Mexican who beat him to the punch and cut him up.

BY MURRAY ROSE

PROFILE



ALEX MITEFF

I DON'T want to muscle into the territory of Columbus, Balboa, Magellan and other great discoverers but I suppose the time has come for the writer to make full claim to the discovery of a potential heavyweight champion —one Antonio Pablo Alexis Miteff of Argentina.

I wasn't going to say too much in advance about my "discovery" until Alex got a little closer to the title—like fighting the champion with all of the jewels on the line.

But Chris Schenkel let the cat of the burlap so I guess I might as well go 'way out on the limb right now. Unbeknownst to the writer, Chris, the very able announcer of the Monday night television fights at St. Nicholas Arena, remarked during the Miteff-Willi Besmanoff brawl that the writer had discovered Miteff at the Pan-American Games in Mexico City in March 1955. That was true. At least I was the North American discoverer.

When my son, David, and friends during the week mentioned Chris' statement and said further that Alex looked very good, I felt fine about it all. Then a horrible thought struck me. Suppose Besmanoff had given Alex a neat shellacking instead of the reverse. What would they have said then?

I can picture my teenage heir greeting me with a crack like: *"Some discoverer! What did you ever discover before? Homework?"*

Fortunately for the writer (and unfortunately for Willi), Alex took care of his end of it by throwing a lot of leather with his usual zest. In winning decisively, he scored his ninth straight victory to celebrate a year of professional fighting with a perfect record. He has since knocked out Fernando Fala in two rounds to make it ten in a row.

The handsome, six foot, one inch, 202 pounder

displayed an excellent left hook, a good jab, know-how at infighting, and very important, an ability to take a punch and keep coming. On the other side of the picture, Alex still appears to be easy to hit with a right to the head, and lacks power in his own right hand though he pitches often from the starboard side.

What's ahead for Alex?

"As many fights as I can get him," says Hymie Wallman, manager and mink man. *"He's got a lot to learn and the only way he'll learn is by keeping busy. I think he's about a year and a half from the top and I'm not going to push him. At that Alex already has fought tougher guys than Rocky Marciano did at the same stage of his career. Rocky never fought tough ones like Archie McBride and Willi Besmanoff—guys with lots of experience—in his first year.*

"When I say I'm not going to push him that doesn't mean I won't match him with ranking fighters. For instance I'd like very much to put him in with Willie Pastrano. Frankly I think he'd be too strong for Willie even now. He'd bull Willie around the ring. Even if Alex lost he wouldn't get hurt. Willie can't punch."

Wallman is confident that he's got the coming champ. It's costing him plenty to try to prove the point, too.

Hymie was one of the managers I tipped about Miteff when I returned from covering the Pan-American Games. I mentioned Alex to Al Weill, Charlie Johnston and almost every other manager in town. Weill, at the time, was busy with a guy named Rocky Marciano and Johnston had two champions, Archie Moore and Sandy Saddler, going for him at the time.

I told them that if they were willing to gamble I had seen a great heavyweight prospect in Miteff. He was 19 at the time, stood six feet and was a very solid 190-pounder. Even then he had a powerful left hook. What impressed me most was his eagerness to fight and his ability to take a punch. He proved that in the Pan-American final against Waldemar Alao, a strapping Brazilian with a wicked wallop. They staged a real "war" for the full three rounds, with Alex winning the crown.

There's no doubt in my mind that Alex would have won the Olympic heavyweight title in Melbourne if he hadn't turned pro. As an amateur he compiled an enviable record. He said he started boxing when he was 14 and had 140 amateur fights, winning 127 and losing two. He had 11 draws. Ninety of his wins were by knockouts.

Wallman contacted him shortly after the Pan-American Games and brought him to New York. He installed him in a West End Avenue Apartment and

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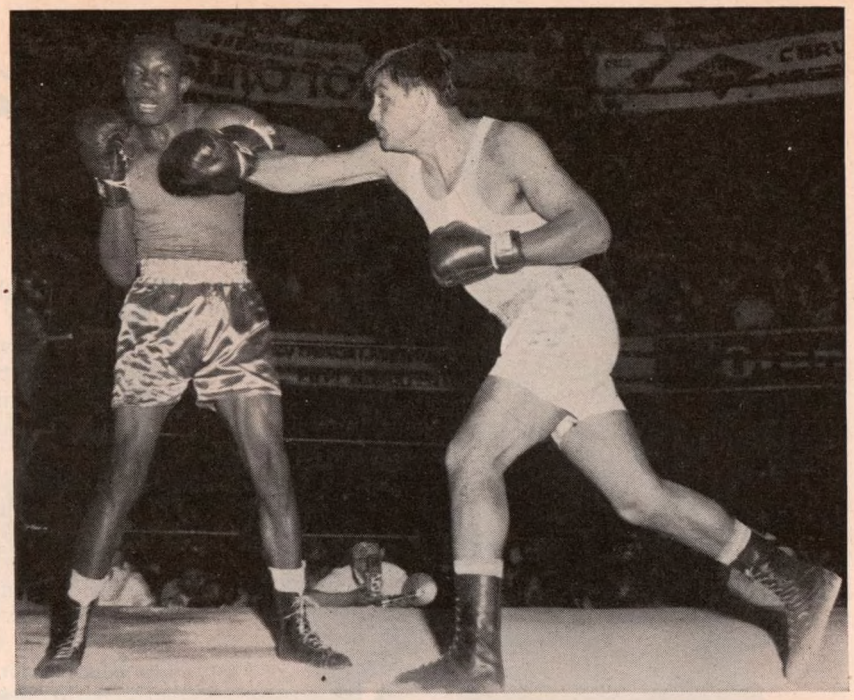


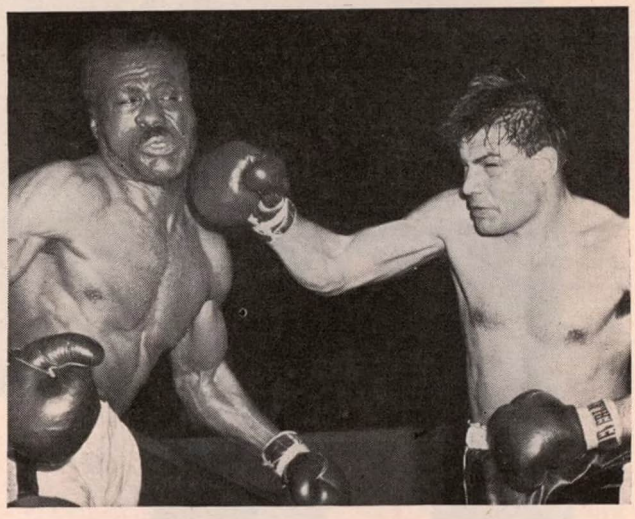
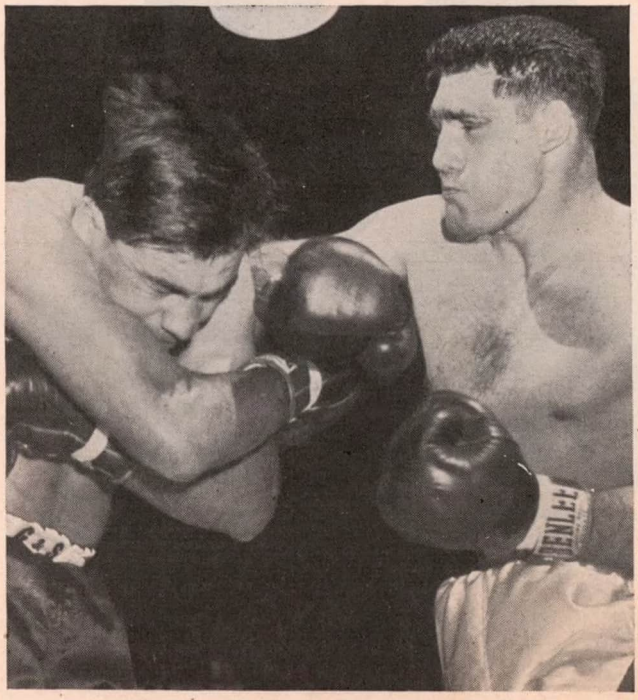
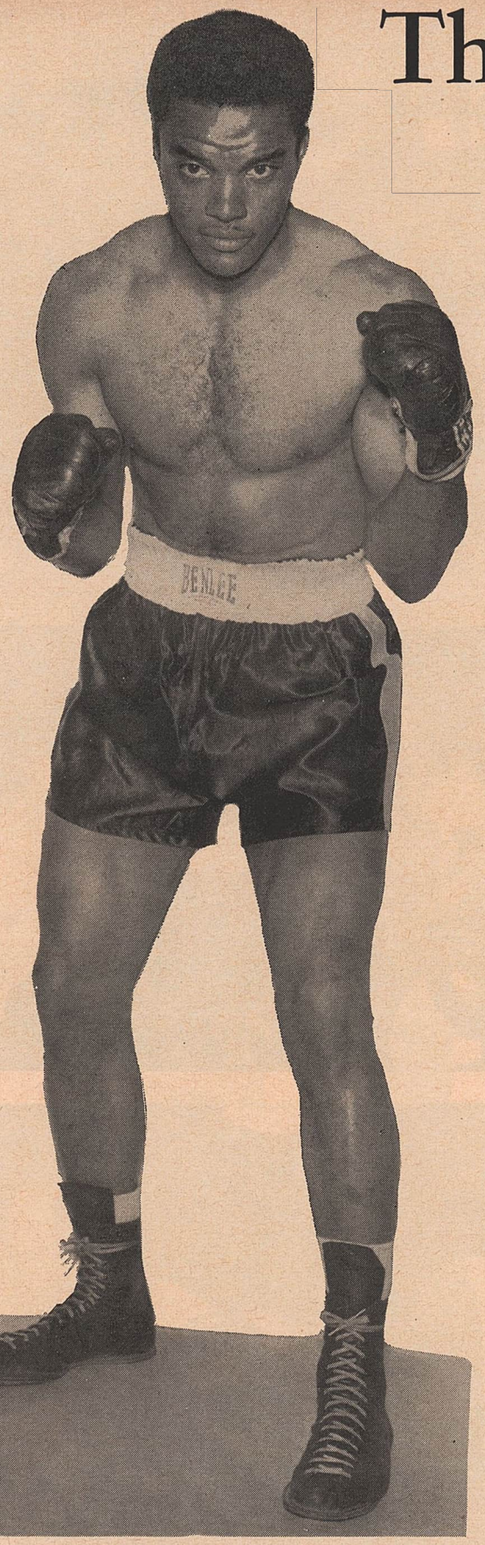


Photo Above: It was here in Mexico City that the writer discovered Alex Miteff. Miteff of Argentina (right) is seen connecting with a right to the head of Waldemar Alao of Brazil while winning the heavyweight championship of the Pan-American Games. Right photo: Archie McBride of Trenton, N. J., (left) on the receiving end of crashing right to the jaw delivered by Miteff at the St. Nicholas Arena in N. Y. Miteff won a ten round decision for his eighth straight victory.



Willi Besmanoff, a much heralded German heavyweight was unable to crack the defense of Alex Miteff (left) who won his ninth in a row by defeating the German. He has since won his tenth fight by knocking out Fernando Fala of Philadelphia in two rounds.

The Heavyweight Scene



Eddie Machen, Redding, California who combines speed of hands and feet with a dynamic punch. Still lacking in experience he should be ready for Patterson in another year.

By DAN DANIEL

NOW that the world championship fight between Floyd Patterson and Hurricane Tommy Jackson is out of the way, with the dramatic embellishments which the bizarre Jackson promised to contribute to the event, boxing is confronted with some of the most vexing problems and harassing situations it has faced in its long and checkered history.

The mixed up state of affairs was played up even before the Patterson defense against Jackson, by Floyd's signing to meet Peter Rademacher, Olympic champion without a single professional fight to his credit. This strange pairing for Seattle on August 22, accentuated the drastic, sorry situation in the heavyweight class.

Elsewhere in this issue the Seattle bout is discussed by The Ring Editor. It is a contest without precedence in the heavyweight division, one that has hit boxing between the eyes at a time when the division is very much in need of all the help it can get.

When Rocky Marciano retired, it was hoped that competition among the top heavyweights would bring forth one or more contenders with sufficient ability and color to keep the pot boiling. But what do we find? Not an outstanding challenger that warrants the outlay of the huge expenditure necessary as a gamble by a promoter eager to stage a world championship match in a ball park.

Let's look at the picture as it appears in the latest Ring Ratings—the selections that are generally accepted throughout the world as the official world rankings.

Jackson having had his chance, Eddie Machen of Redding, California, a late arrival, looms as the next best bet for a shot at the crown. Eddie has a clean slate and so far as his two years' record is concerned, he has faced far better men than was the case when young Patterson climbed to the top.

The fans who have seen Machen in action, believe he has the makings. The experts think likewise, but they are in disagreement on his readiness to face the champion. The experts figure he needs more tuning up for such a task. They don't believe he's quite ready for such a battle.

Who's next? Old Man Archie Moore, the light heavyweight king who hasn't defended his crown in more than a year, is far beyond the limit of his own class and in his last battle for the heavyweight crown was knocked out by Patterson in the fifth round. No one in his senses would match him again with Floyd after what had happened in Chicago, yet he is the third ranked man in the class.

A Machen-Moore fight might result in Archie's total elimination and if such a bout were staged and Machen didn't win decisively, he most definitely would be out of the picture.

We cannot forget Machen's poor showing with Johnny Summerlin in their ten round bout in Syracuse last December, nor did he make himself stand out as a worthy contender in his two fights this year with ancient Joey Maxim. Yet he has a clean slate with fourteen of his twenty-one ring battles ending in knockouts.

With that kind of a record, his future looks bright. He may be seen in a world championship fight sooner than we think.

Leaving Moore behind, there's Zora Folley of Chandler, Arizona another young man who has come to the front only recently. He like Machen, has a number of kayoes to his record, but he was halted in December, 1955 by Young Jack Johnson in five rounds and by Johnny Summerlin the same year in six.

This year he has won seven fights to add to his clear record since the start of 1956, his two best performances being against Wayne Bethea. There are no stunning performances in his record and there's no reason to believe as of now that he fits into the picture as a world challenger.

A Folley vs. Machen bout would be a good eliminator for the Far West and a Folley-Roy Harris or a Machen-Harris bout would draw big money in the South West.

Of all the rated men the one who looms best for a big gate, is the young man from Cut-and-Shoot, Roy Harris who recently caused a fistic upset by defeating Willie Pastrano in Houston, Texas. He is a colorful battler about whom much can be written. A school teacher with an extra-

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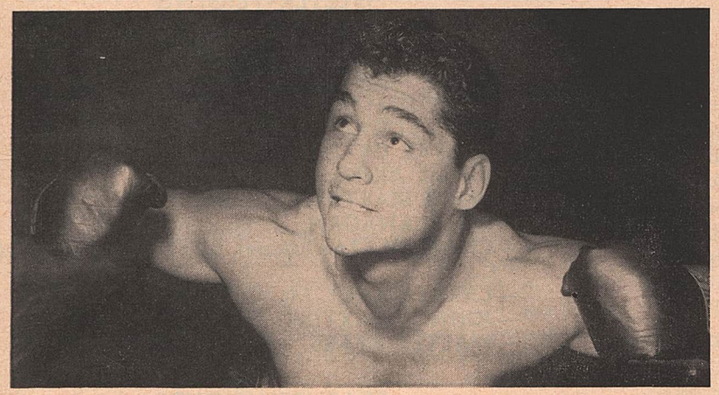
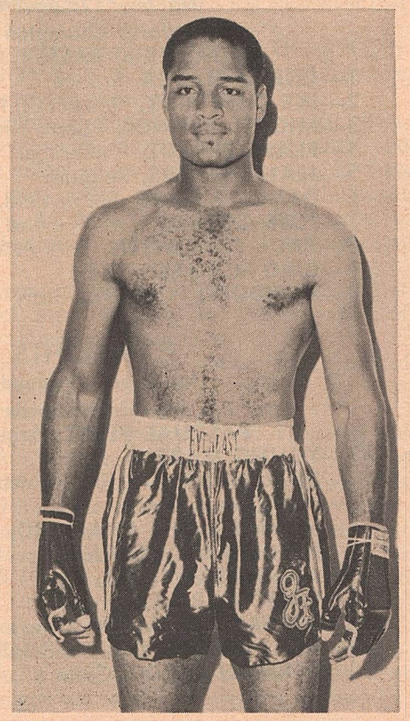
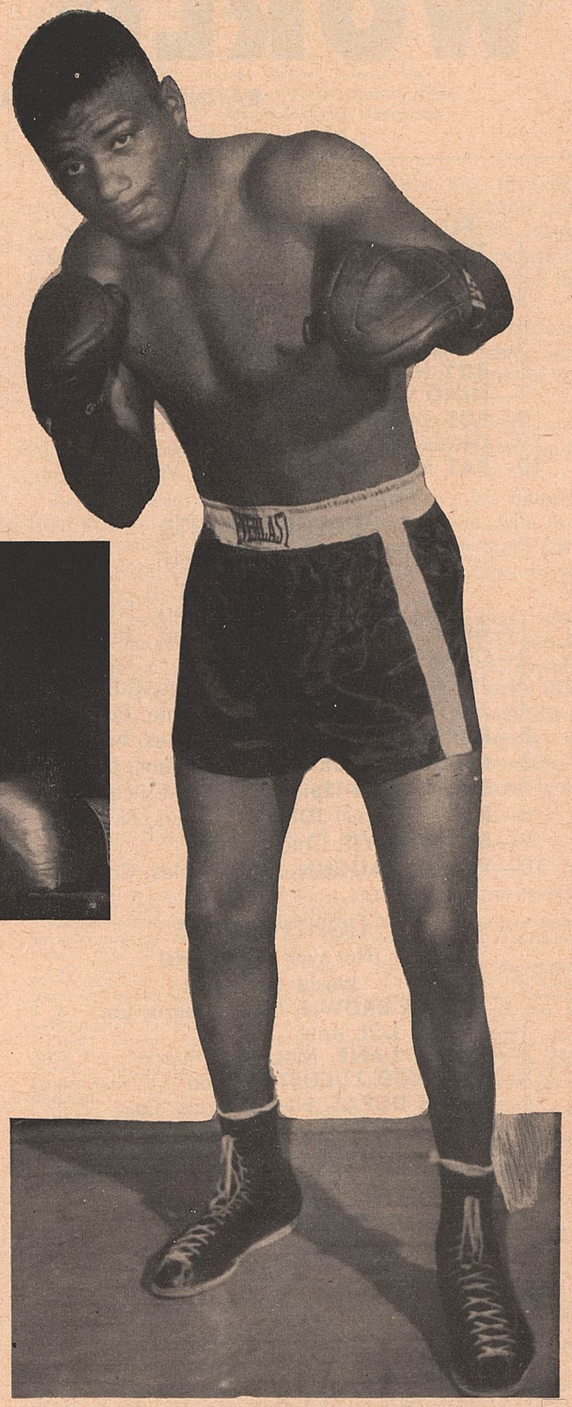


Willie "the whisp" Pastrano of New Orleans who rates as one of the best boxers among the heavies. His main drawback lays in his lack of hitting power.





Above: Floyd Patterson, combination hitter-puncher, who as this story is written is the heavyweight champion of the world. Left: Zora Folley, Chandler, Arizona contender for heavyweight honors who has been moving along at a fast pace. He rates along with Machen as a superb boxer and packs a good wallop. He doesn't pack a one punch kayo but hits with convincing power and is a good finisher once he gets an opponent set up for the kill.

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JULY 22nd.

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

World Champion
FLOYD PATTERSON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**TOMMY JACKSON,** Far Rockaway, N. Y.
2—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
3—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
4—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
5—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
6—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
7—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
8—**BOB SATTERFIELD,** Chicago, Ill.
9—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
10—**PAT McMURTRY,** Tacoma, Wash.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
3—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, BWI.
4—**CHUCK SPIESER,** Lansing, Mich.
5—**GERHARD HECHT,** Germany
6—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
7—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
8—**CLARENCE HINNANT,** Washington, D. C.
9—**DOGOMAR MARTINEZ,** Uruguay
10—**ARTENIO CALZAVARA,** Italy

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
2—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
3—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Calif.
4—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**RORY CALHOUN,** White Plains, N. Y.
6—**CHARLEY JOSEPH,** New Orleans, La.
7—**ELLSWORTH (Spider) WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
8—**RALPH (Tiger) JONES,** Yonkers, N. Y.
9—**BOBBY BOYD,** Chicago, Ill.
10—**WILLIE VAUGHN,** Los Angeles, Calif.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion
CARMEN BASILIO, Syracuse, N. Y.

1—**TONY DeMARCO,** Boston, Mass.
2—**ISSAC LOGART,** Cuba
3—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
4—**VIRGIL AKINS,** St. Louis, Mo.
5—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
6—**DEL FLANAGAN,** St. Paul, Minn.
7—**CHARLEY (Tombstone) SMITH,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8—**LARRY BAKER,** Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
9—**JOHNNY SAXTON,** Brooklyn, N. Y.
10—**WALTER BYARS,** Roxbury, Mass.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
2—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
3—**ORLANDO ZULUETA,** Cuba
4—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
5—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
6—**BABY VASQUEZ,** Mexico
7—**LARRY BOARDMAN,** Marlboro, Conn.
8—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
9—**LEO ALONZO,** Philippines
10—**JOHNNY BUSSO,** New York, N. Y.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion
HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY, Nigeria

1—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
2—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
3—**MIGUEL BERRIOS,** Puerto Rico
4—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
5—**JEAN SNEYERS,** Belgium
6—**DAVEY MOORE,** Springfield, O.
7—**JOSE COTERO,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Tex.
9—**CIRO MORASEN,** Cuba
10—**ALTIDORO POLIDORI,** Italy

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion
ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**RAUL (Raton) MACIAS,** Mexico
2—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
3—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
4—**BILLY PEACOCK,** Los Angeles, Calif.
5—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
6—**ORLANDO REYES,** Cuba
7—**JIMMY CARSON,** Ireland
8—**DANTE BINI,** France
9—**JOE BECCERA,** Mexico
10—**PETER KEENAN,** Scotland

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
2—**DOMMY URSUA,** Philippines
3—**MEMO DIEZ,** Mexico
4—**MASAJI (Lefty) IWAMOTO,** Japan
5—**HITOSHI MISAKO,** Japan
6—**ARISTIDE POZZALI,** Italy
7—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
8—**ROBERT POLLAZON,** France
9—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
10—**GERMAN PARDO,** Chile

HOGAN BASSEY
Fighter of the Month

THE easy victory scored by Hogan Bassey when he stopped Cherif Hamia in the tenth round to win the vacant world featherweight title, entitles him to "The Ring's Fighter of the Month" award. Another championship bout was fought when Joe Brown halted Orlando Zulueta of Cuba in the fifteenth frame, but the performance of Bassey outshown that of Brown.

Duilio Loi of Italy stretched his winning streak to fifty-five when he tallied three victories and retained his clean slate. He beat Piet Van Klaveren, Ahcene Attar and knocked out Chico Santos and continues to rate tops as lightweight challenger.

Other good performances were those turned in by Willie Toweel of South Africa who successfully defended his British Empire Lightweight Title by outpointing Dave Charnley, British champion, and Ike Chestnut, featherweight, who stopped Kid Anahuac of Mexico.

Hans Stretz of Germany has quit boxing, he is now a wrestler and has been dropped from the light heavyweight ratings. Others eliminated are George Barnes of Australia from the welters; Chebo Hernandez of Mexico in the middleweights; Dave Charnley from the lightweights; Kid Anahuac from the feathers and German Ohm of Mexico from the bantam class.

Those who joined the rated class were Featherweights Davey Moore of Springfield, O. and Altidoro Polidoro of Italy; Welterweight Larry Baker of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., lightweight Johnny Busso of New York City, and middleweight Willie Vaughn, of Los Angeles, Calif. Big jumps were made by Ike Chestnut among the featherweights and Masaji Iwamoto of Japan and Ramon Arias of Venezuela in the flyweight ratings.

None of the Number One contenders lost their high post during the month.

In the Heavyweight class, Zora Folley of Chandler, Arizona advanced from fifth to fourth and Willie Pastrano of New Orleans changed places with him.

Randy Turpin, though British light heavyweight champion, made a very poor showing in defending his title, and despite the poor calibre of talent in that division, he finds himself out of the ratings. Yvon Durelle who fought a draw with Tony Anthony, who meets Archie Moore for the crown in September, is now listed sixth, up from eighth.

Dogomar Martinez of Uruguay and Clarence Hinnant of Washington, each went up one place. Willi Hoepner of Germany is down from fifth to seventh.

With Hernandez, the Mexican middleweight knocked out by Willie Vaughn of Los Angeles, the latter has been honored with tenth position, replacing Chebo.

In Larry Baker, the Mount Vernon, N. Y. welter, the class has a boxer who looms as a title aspirant. He did a good job in beating the highly rated Gaspar Ortega. He is listed eighth and his victim dropped from second to third.

Virgil Akins of St. Louis lost a peg when he dropped the verdict to tough middleweight Franz Szuzina and is now fourth, with Isaac Logart of Cuba advancing into the second spot.

Vince Martinez was shifted from sixth to fifth, exchanging posts with Del Flanagan of St. Paul. Johnny Saxton, former champion, inactive and Walter Byars, each went down a peg to ninth and tenth positions respectively.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS—Ernest Terrell, Chicago, Ill.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS—Floyd McCoy, New York, N. Y.
MIDDLEWEIGHTS—Freddie Little, Bogalusa, La.
WELTERWEIGHTS—Freddy Cross, England
LIGHTWEIGHTS—Hymie Budow, Miami, Fla.
FEATHERWEIGHTS—Jimmy Kelly, Lowell, Mass.
BANTAMWEIGHTS—Armando Vera, Argentina
FLYWEIGHTS—Eddie Botello, Cuba

Johnny Busso of New York got himself into the rated ten in the lightweight class because of his easy victory over Larry Boardman who dropped to seventh from fifth. Boardman gave way to Willie Toweel, while Baby Vasquez of Mexico took Toweel's place in sixth. Leo Alonzo of the Philippines advanced to ninth place.

Cherif Hamia of France remains the Number One contender in the feather class with Ike Chestnut behind him and Miguel Berrios of Puerto Rico and Flash Elorde of the Philippines following.

Dave Moore has joined the elite group in sixth and Altidoro Polidoro in tenth, with Ciro Morasen moving up to ninth.

In the bantam class Dante Bini of France has dropped from fifth to eighth. Peter Keenan of Scotland, who beat Robert Tartari, returned to the select circle in tenth spot, with Al Asuncion, Orlando Reyes, Jimmy Carson and Joe Beccera all moved up.

The flyweight class finds two Japanese highly rated. Masaji Iwamoto, champion, rated fourth and Hitoshi Misako who fought a 12 round draw with him, listed fifth. Aristide Pozzali of Italy has been dropped from fourth to sixth, Robert Pollazon of France, from sixth to eighth, German Pardo of Chile from seventh to tenth and Pone Kingpetch of Thailand who lost to bantam Leo Espinosa, from eighth to ninth, with Ramon Arias of Venezeula upped from tenth to seventh.

Here are the leading bouts of the month.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Zora Folley kayoed Julius Griffin, 4, and outclassed Jeff Dyer, 10. Pat McMurtry outpointed Howard King, 10.

Former middleweight champion Carl (Bobo) Olson launched comeback by beating Joey Maxim, 10. Jose Gonzales repeated previous victory over Franco Cavicchi, 10.

Alex Miteff stopped Fernando Fala, 2. Brian London demolished Peter Bates, 2. Robert Duquesne scored upset by relieving Emile Vidal of French title, 11. Ruben Vargas stopped Edgardo Romero, 5. Ex-Olympian Mino Bozzano scored his 9th straight pro win by polishing off Lucien Touzard, 3.

Buddy Turman stopped Tommy Fields, 8. Bob Butcher kayoed Andy Domebo, 8. Hans Friedrich stopped Max Marsille, 3. Jack Torrance bested Art Mayorga, 8, and stopped John Harper, 4. Paul Daniel outpointed George Abinet, 10. John Riggins kayoed Arnie Bernard, 1.

Alfredo Zuany bested Johnny Hollins, 6. Jack Wagner kayoed Willie Dennis, 6. Terry Lewis kayoed Johnny Stover, 1.

Johnny Gray whipped Sonny Ray, 6. Wayne Womochil kayoed Bill Graham, 3. Jim Tillman stopped Bo Willis, 4.

Bill Hunter outscored Johnny Jenkins, 6. Ose Groom kayoed Felix Antonio, 3. Ruben Wilson drew with Tommy Fields, 6.

J. D. Marshall kayoed Bill Cunnigan, 1. Hans Kalbfell demolished Portuguese Champion Carlos Rocha, 2. Ernest Terrell kayoed Andy Bonds, 1. Sonny Moore kayoed Jimmy Van Sickle, 3. Ted Hutcheson beat Larry Melton, 5.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Johnny Halifihi outslugged Johnny Sullivan 10.

Ivano Fontana decisioned Don Ellis, 10.

Francisco Frances outpointed Bautista Navarro, 8. Alberto Benassi outpointed Pablo Sagripanti, 12.

Bobby Lane halted Chester Mieszala, 6. Antonio Diaz defeated Aurelio Diaz, 10. Italian Champion Artenio Calzavara whipped Eli Elandon, 10. Willie Armstrong stopped Albert Scott, 8.

Frank Lawson beat Tommy Merrill, 8. Joe Schmolze beat Willie Barnes, 6, and kayoed Major Woodson, 5, and beat Howard Lee, 6.

Jackie Richards outpointed Len Richards, 8. Miguel Napoles kayoed Flash Jenkins, 5. George Kartalian and Rudy Williams, drew 6. James Wright stopped Bill Clemmons, 3.

Willie Lee kayoed Ennis Cheatham, 4. George Jarosch kayoed Howard Giles, 1. Freddy Mack defeated Wilson Hannibal, 6.

Ducky Dietz kayoed Chuck Church, 3, and Young Sam Langford, 1. Rocky Tomasello stopped Billy Ryan, 10. Frank Weisgerberg stopped Mike Zecca, 3. Ted Martin and Joe Brewer drew, 6.

Sal Cantino kayoed Jimmy Tate, 1. Joe LaQuarta kayoed Jimmy O'Connell, 2. Jimmy had kayoed Joe Calissie, 2. Nathan Ish beat Turkey Thomas, 5.

Eddie Bramlett stopped Eddie Henderson, 2. Clarence Riley kayoed Lloyd Brooks, 5. Ted Daley kayoed Sammy Williams, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Charley Joseph upset Ellsworth (Spider) Webb, 10.

Joey Giambra and Rory Calhoun battled to a draw, 10.

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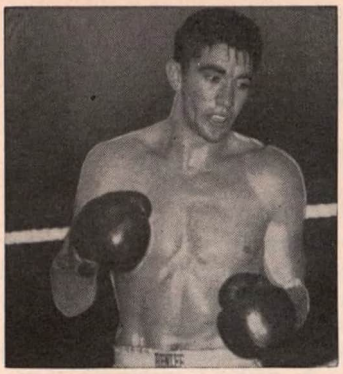

ROY HARRIS

Young Texas Tornado, With Victories over Bob Baker and Willie Pastrano, Establishes Himself as Force to be Reckoned With in Heavyweight Division

By JOHNNY SALAK

OUT of the brush country and backwoods, bordering on the backwash of civilization, stalks a fighter who bids to bring back the Davey Crockett and Jim Bowie craze, coonskin cap and you-all.

Fighters come from all walks of life, but perhaps this is the first time that a backwoods schoolteacher, with a yen for possum hunting and alligator baiting, has ever made his mark in the ring. Roy Harris of Cut and Shoot, Texas, is the stranger in our midst, nimbly stepping, though no longer barefooted, over the leading challengers for the heavyweight crown.

Victories over Bob Baker, the once-feared Pittsburgh Baker Boy, and Willie Pastrano, highly ranked adagio dancer of the squared circle, rocketed Harris, of quaint Cut and Shoot, from backwoods obscurity to national fistic fame. How far can he go from there? No one knows, except that in this day and age, undefeated after a score of fights and among the first ten in the heavyweight ratings, he has already cut through the underbrush of mediocrity and down in Montgomery County they are talking about fantastic guarantees and a shot at the title. Down thataway, they usually mean what they say, except when they're joshing you a bit with their tall tales.

But Roy Harris is no tall tale. Persons, other than Texans, have not only seen him but have actually watched some of his fights and they vouch for him.

The primitive privacy of Harris' bailiwick, Cut and Shoot, a sawmill town in East Texas' deep piney woods, is built on legend and toughness, the bare knuckle brawls of the lumber camps, a snug hideout for more than one notorious outlaw and the riots quelled twenty-five years ago by the Texas Rangers.

The Big Man in the Big Thicket is Henry Harris, Roy's father, who also is his trainer. Henry, the natives will tell you, could lick any man alive and you dassn't mention the fourteen straight losses he sustained at the hands of the same man. But he won more than his share of battles, bare knuckled and gloved, and the big, rugged, ham-handed Texan commands a certain respect in Montgomery County, where brawn often comes in more handy than brain.

Roy is unlike his dad in many ways. Not as big as him, though now he scales around 190. He's quiet, far removed from the bruiser type. He attended Conroe (Tex.) High School and is a graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers College in Huntsville. At 23, he teaches fourth and fifth grades in the little brick rural route elementary school, at $229 a month. His teacher's pay tides him along and his ring earnings, which have been mounting and should continue to rise, are soundly invested. He is a modest, unassuming country boy with a tremendous desire to excel in whatever he does.

Roy is possibly the greatest amateur fighter ever to come out of the State of Texas, and there have been some good ones, including Laverne Roach and national champions Gilbert Garcia and Dick Menchaca.

Young Harris began his simon pure career in 1948 as a bantamweight. He beat the State flyweight champion at the age of thirteen. Four times he was State AAU champion, twice Southern AAU champion, four consecutive times State Golden Gloves titleholder (middleweight, light heavy and heavyweight) and twice TAAF champion. In 79 amateur bouts he was undefeated.

He began his pro career with a three round kayo over Tommie Smith on April 26, 1955, at Houston. Within seven months he defeated the Oklahoma champion, Dick Smith, and won the Texas title by beating Buddy Turman (Nov. 28, 1955, Tyler, twelve rounds decision). Nine months later, in his fourteenth bout, he garnered the Southern heavyweight crown with a victory over Oscar Pharo. But Willie Pastrano is a southern boy and many scoffed at Harris' newly-won title. From that moment on Harris wanted to tackle "that there Pastrami fella."

All Texas was talking about him but he was virtually unknown outside his home state. Charlie Norkus, veteran of many top attractions, was brought in to test him. Harris easily won the ten rounds decision, making a chopping block of Norkus, winning all ten rounds on the cards of two officials.

Roy Harris (left), the Texas Tornado, pummels Willie Pastrano, high ranking heavyweight, during their battle at Houston. Harris won the ten rounds decision to establish himself as one of the leading challengers for the title.

Photo by John Greensmith

This year all stops have been pulled out, while proceeding with a certain amount of caution, to bring Harris into the public eye with convincing victories over "name" opponents.

It began by importing Claude Chapman, listed as the New England heavyweight champion, in to fight Roy. Harris shed his awkwardness to kayo Al Weill's young heavyweight in eight rounds. Then Irish Joey Rowan who, for a time, was in the ratings and had fought the best in the division, made the long journey. Harris battered out a decision in a wild and furious brawl.

Following that, Bob Baker, long time resident of the top ten with experience and know-how, was brought to Houston to try the youngster. Harris upset the odds by pounding out a win over Baker, though for the first time in his pro career he was dropped (in the fourth round). He got up to outspeed and outpunch the plodding and impassive Pittsburgher. Harris moved into the world ratings for the first time, in ninth position.

His next step was a match with Willie Pastrano, ranked No. 3 among the heavyweights, one of the biggest fistic events in Texas history, with the crowd paving almost double the Texas record set in the Baker fight, $46,962. Roy outpunched Wily Willie to take the ten rounds decision, finishing strong and winning the last two rounds handily, as Pastrano was hanging on at the end.

The performance sent Harris zooming up to sixth among the world rated men and dropped Pastrano a peg to fourth.

A return bout clause was in the contracts, and so these two will meet again, in Miami Beach, but not before Harris, who holds a reserve commission of Second Lieutenant in the Army, completes a tour of active duty at Camp Hood, and Pastrano goes through with a similar summer hitch, three weeks with the Coast Guard.

From there (the return bout, providing he wins), the Harris camp figures he is in line for a title shot.

For a heavyweight, Harris moves very fast. He has lost much of the awkwardness which betrayed him in his early fights, though at times it is still to be noticed. He is powerful and wonderfully conditioned. Generally speaking, he is a good boxer and a good defensive fighter.

Teddy Brenner, promoter of fights at the St. Nicholas Arena in New York, journeyed down to Texas to "scout" him in the Baker fight. Brenner was impressed and termed him *"awkwardly clever."*

Willie Pastrano, following their fight, called Harris *"effectively awkward."* Continued Willie, who had lost his first fight since 1953, *"He's got a style all his own—like nobody I've ever fought. I couldn't seem to get to him. He'll be a good boy."*

The Harris' live off in the brush, on the Farm-to-Market Road, in an eight-roomed log house which is covered with a tin roof. Besides the elder Henry and Roy's mother, there are three Harris girls, Frances, Wynne and Patsy, and brothers Henry and Tobe. Tobe fought as a pro middleweight and light heavyweight between 1952 and 1955, not doing too badly either though his success was strictly local. In the only three fights he lost in about thirty, he was stopped. Tobe always fought barefooted. Roy, who did likewise early in his career, got used to the idea of shoes only after he started travelling around quite a bit.

Chief occupations in that part of the country are farming, fishing, fighting, and hunting coons, possums, and running foxes. In the Harris backyard there is a tank which

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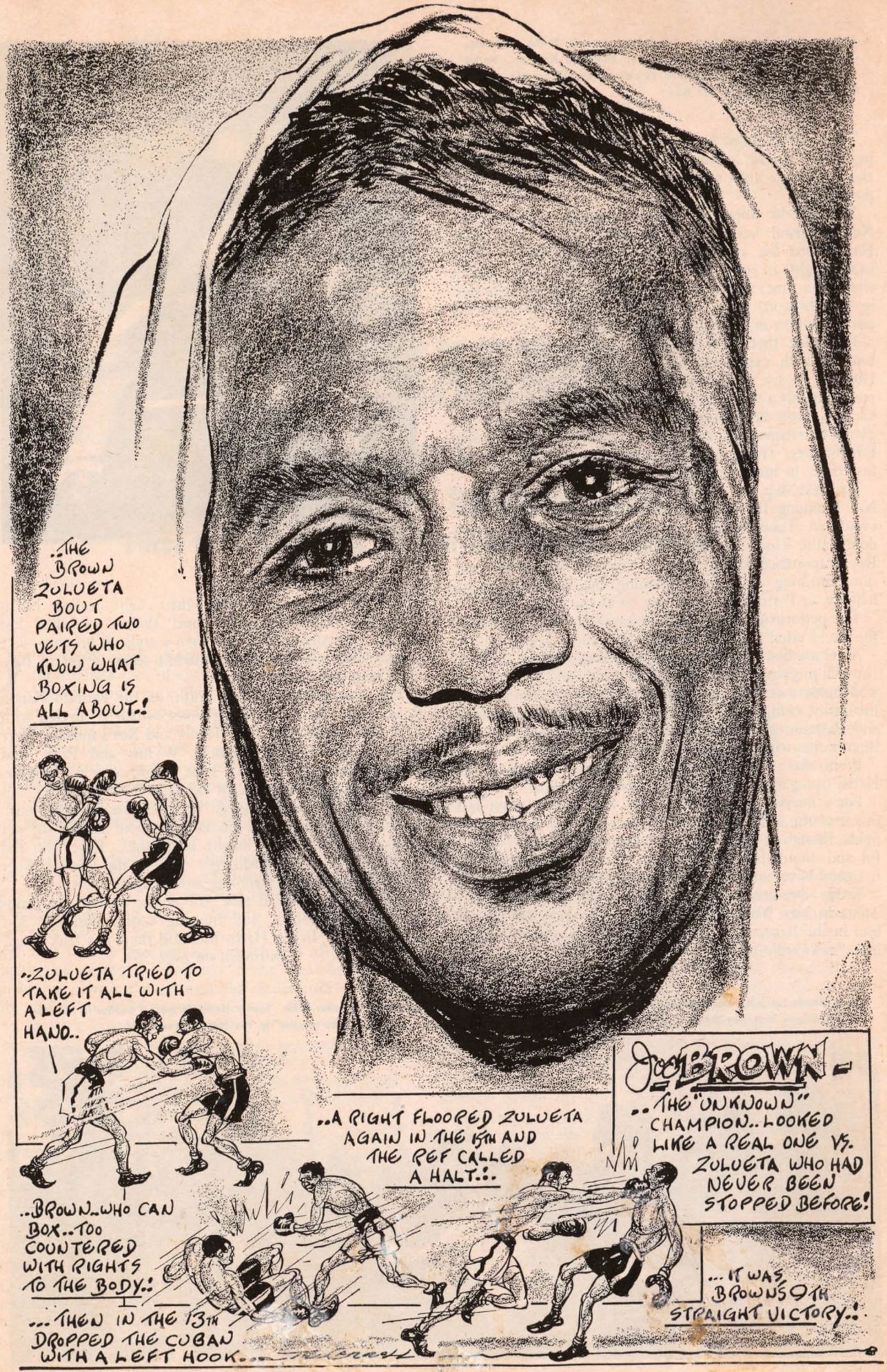
Roy Harris (at left) was winning amateur titles at fourteen (note trophies) as was brother Tobe. Father Henry Harris, a battler in his own right, stands between them. Cousin Armadillo, all duded up like Davey Crockett, comes avisitin' to the Harris homestead.


..THE BROWN ZULUETA BOUT PAIRED TWO VETS WHO KNOW WHAT BOXING IS ALL ABOUT..!
..ZULUETA TRIED TO TAKE IT ALL WITH A LEFT HAND..
..BROWN..WHO CAN BOX..TOO COUNTERED WITH RIGHTS TO THE BODY..!
...THEN IN THE 13TH DROPPED THE CUBAN WITH A LEFT HOOK...
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JOE BROWN
..THE "UNKNOWN" CHAMPION..LOOKED LIKE A REAL ONE VS. ZULUETA WHO HAD NEVER BEEN STOPPED BEFORE!
...IT WAS BROWN'S 9TH STRAIGHT VICTORY..!

By TED CARROLL

No Longer "Unknown Champ"

Joe Brown, Lightweight Champion Of The World, Has Been Underrated And Not Recognized As A Popular Idol, But Thumping He Gave Orlando Zulueta Arouses New Interest in Veteran Champ

FOR the first twelve rounds of their scheduled fifteen round bout, there was little to choose between lightweight champion Joe Brown, the New Orleans veteran, and the canny Cuban challenger, Orlando Zulueta. Towards the close of the thirteenth stanza, Brown, who is more noted for his right hand, caught the Cuban coming in and snapped over a left hook that dropped him. The Caribbean clouter got up at nine in bad shape, but the bell came to his rescue before Brown could apply the finisher. Still woozy from the knockdown, he lasted through the fourteenth by means of the ring savvy accumulated through a decade of campaigning against the toughest men in the lightweight division.

It appeared that he might make it to the end, but was nailed by Brown's potent right with just about a half minute remaining of the fifteenth and final round, and hit the canvas again. He made it to his feet at the count of seven but was remindful of a rag doll with the stuffing oozing out, as he swayed unsteadily. Although some ringside and armchair heroes called the referee's action hasty when he stepped in and stopped hostilities with just twenty-one seconds to go, Referee Keech rates a bow for his humanitarian instincts. Zulueta was pretty far gone, and in the ringside words of the victorious Brown in the after-fight interview, "Why risk a fatality?"

Back in 1931, Referee George Blake, one of the outstanding referees of all time, stopped the Max Schmeling-Young Stribling heavyweight title fight after Schmeling dropped Strib in the fifteenth round, with just fifteen seconds to go, and there have been other cases where the official has wisely intervened to avert any possible injury.

While not a sensational affair, the fight was a hard fought stubbornly contested one, with the vastly underrated champion, closing fast to subdue a ringwise rival who staked his chances on a darting left hand which kept him in the running right up to the time of the first knockdown in the unlucky (for Zulueta) thirteenth.

BROWN A PLODDER AND EXPERIENCED BATTLER

Brown, with the obvious idea of taking some of the steam out of the spry Zulueta, concentrated on the body in the mid-rounds, and a few times was below the borderline of legality, with his right hand counters.

Brown is a patient plodding fellow who served a long and gruelling apprenticeship in the minor leagues of mittdom, and was neither shaken nor disturbed by the cut he sustained above the eye in the tenth round. He proved experienced enough to take full advantage of the first real opportunity he had, to score with a telling punch in the thirteenth.

When Zulueta hit the deck for the first time it came as something of a shock to fistic afficionados who couldn't recall ever having seen the Cuban cutie prone on the canvas before. Stopping him was no mean feat. Brown turned a trick which has defied the best efforts of Sandy Saddler, Kenny Lane, Jimmy Carter, Larry Boardman, Bud Smith, Arthur Persley, Dulio Loi, Percy Bassett, Luther Rawlings, and many other solid thumpers, none of whom was able to floor the agile, strong chinned lad from the Pearl of the Antilles.

As might be expected of any disappointed manager, Hymie Woolman, Zulueta's pilot, went into a tantrum of shrieks and moans over the referee's action in stopping the fight. He was joined by a good portion of the three thousand who turned out for the nationally televised lightweight title fight held in Denver's Municipal Stadium. As far as a decision was concerned, had there been one rendered, Zulueta would have had no chance, in spite of his strong early effort. By the end of the fourteenth round, both the judges and the referee had Brown in front, and of course, the last round was onesidedly in Brown's favor. The best Zulueta could have done was finish on his feet.

Coming across the coaxial cables from coast to coast, the Brown-Zulueta lightweight championship match was channeled into the Nation's living rooms under the fading auspices of the IBC although a Denver fur merchant served as the local impressario.

For those who sensed some sinister scheme behind this scheduling of a title fight between a New Orleans native and a Havana Cuban in out-of-the-way Denver, and voiced their suspicions

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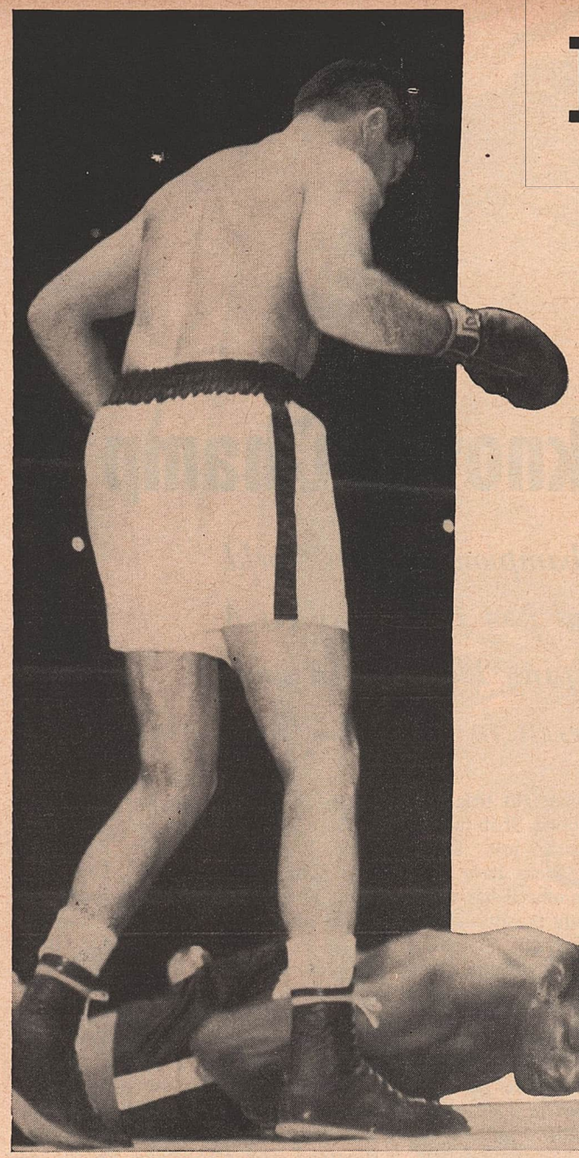
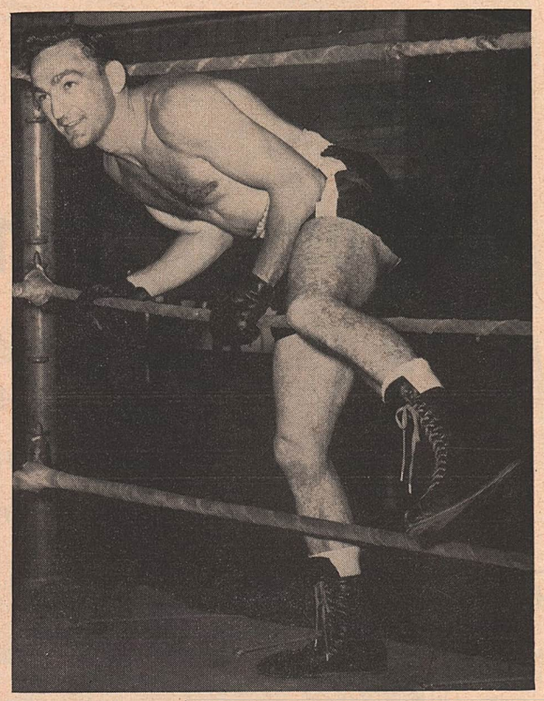
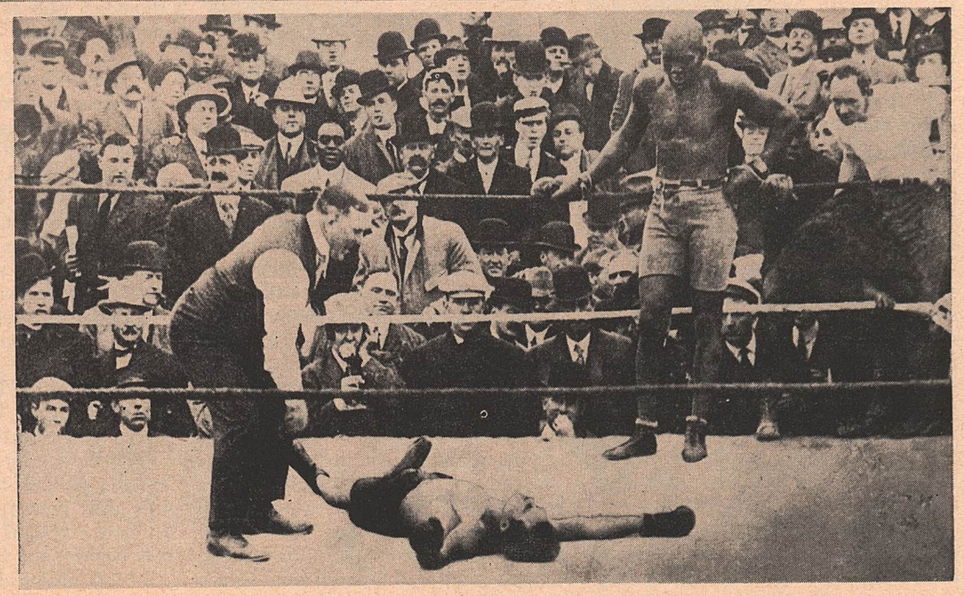
BIG MEN





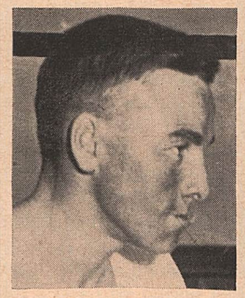
(Above) Carmen Basilio, world welterweight champion who will test the adage about ""A Good Big Man" when he tackles middleweight king Ray Robinson this fall. Sugar Ray himself tried to turn the trick (at left) but wilted and collapsed on a sultry June night in 1952 against light heavy champ Joey Maxim.



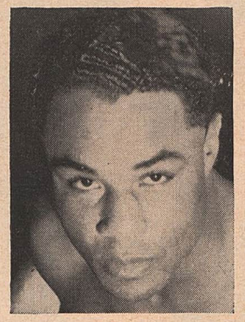
Stanley Ketchel was a brash young middleweight champion when in 1909 he tangled with Jack Johnson for the heavyweight crown at Colma, Calif., and in the twelfth round dropped Li'l Artha. Johnson bounced off the canvas and with the next punch flattened Ketchel. Referee Jack Welch is seen counting out the smaller man.

ALSO FALL

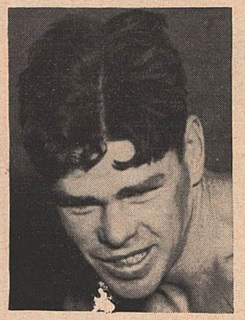
Robinson-Basilio Fight Puts Ring Cliches to Test



Jimmy McLarnin in 1932 made the mistake of taking on Lou Brouillard, on his way to the middleweight title. McLarnin took a bad licking.



Henry Armstrong fought them all, big and small. Against middleweight champ Ceferino Garcia all he could earn was a draw.



Mickey Walker was always moving up, but the top rung was too much, his best, a draw for the American heavyweight title with Jack Sharkey.

By AL BUCK

WHEN the "Battle of the Champions," between Sugar Ray Robinson and Carmen Basilio was announced for September 23 at Yankee Stadium, boxing writers were betting who among them would be the first to use the moss covered cliches, *"A Good Big Man Can Always Beat a Good Little Man,"* and *"The Bigger They Come, The Harder They Fall."*

Neither saying is entirely true. If it were, there would be no appeal to the bout between the world middleweight champion and the world welterweight king.

Normally these adages hold up. But they can also be disproved by numerous examples.

Bob Fitzsimmons was known for chopping down the "big ones" but on several occasions he found that the big men refused to fall.

Henry Armstrong, a "Good Little Man" more often than not defeated the "Good Bigger Man". Yet he, too, found out that those ancient axioms sometimes collapse. He was unable to gain better than a draw with Ceferino Garcia in his bid for the world middleweight title. Garcia was the "Good Big Man" and he also was not only bigger but he wouldn't fall harder. He wouldn't fall at all.

Harry Greb and Mickey Walker could eat up bigger men, as could a host of others. But on occasion both met larger men who beat them.

When heft and reach was combined with speed to match these slighter men they often found that the bigger man was the better and didn't fall harder.

ROBINSON AND BASILIO HAVE MET BIGGER MEN

Going out of his class will not be a new experience for Basilio, the onion farmer from Syracuse. It will be neither new nor novel to Robinson, the dancing dandy from the sidewalks of New York. Of course Sugar Ray will be defending the title, and will be fighting in his own class, but he knows what can happen to a champion seeking other worlds to conquer.

There was a night in the Chicago Stadium—the date was Feb. 14, 1951—when Robinson, the welterweight king, won the middleweight title when he knocked out Jake LaMotta in the thirteenth round. Here the little man beat the big man.

There was another night, a hot one, at the Yankee Stadium—the date was June 25, 1952—when Robinson attempted to win the light-heavyweight crown from Joey Maxim. This time the little man failed.

The Stadium was a blazing furnace that night. The middleweight champion won round after round, but in the tenth, Referee Ruby Goldstein collapsed from the heat. He was replaced by Ray Miller, and the fight went on into the thirteenth round when Sugar Ray began to wilt.

The middleweight champion collapsed completely and Maxim, the big man, retained the title on a knockout in the fourteenth round.

Light-heavyweight champions are forever reaching for the heavyweight crown. Maxim tried it, only to lose every round to Ezzard Charles in Chicago. The last to make the bid was Archie Moore, a really good smaller man. He knocked down Rocky Marciano. In the end, Rocky's power and drive prevailed.

It is significant that no light-heavyweight champion has won the big title. Georges Carpentier was really only a middleweight when Jack Dempsey knocked him out. John

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Harry Greb was one of the greatest and he liked to fight the big ones. He was the only man to win from Gene Tunney, though Gene defeated him in their four subsequent fights.

Nearing the end of furious battle, Cherif Hamia sags on the ropes in tenth round as a relentless Hogan Bassey slugs away savagely at his fast-fading rival. A few seconds later French referee Rene Schemann called a halt to save Hamia from further punishment.

WORLD CHAMPION

HOGAN BASSEY

By CHARLEY PARRISH

RINGSIDE, Paris—A few short weeks ago Philippe Filippi was managing the most formidable "stable" of boxers in the world. No other manager could offer a trio of ringmen to compare with M. Filippi's Big Three. One was already a world champion, bantamweight Alphonse Halimi. Another, Charley Humez, was European middleweight champion and a ranking contender for world laurels. The third was Cherif Hamia, classy youngster who ruled favorite to win the vacant featherweight championship.

But Filippi's troupe has been having rough going lately. In his first appearance as ruler of the world's bantam roost, Halimi hoofed it over to London for a non-title outing with Jimmy Carson, an Irish kid with only a dozen bouts behind him. It figured to be a soft touch for Halimi, but it turned out to be a disaster. With ugly gashes over both eyes, Halimi suffered a technical knockout defeat in the ninth round.

Then Humez, defending his European laurels in Milan, was expected to have no trouble beating Italo Scortichini. Humez ran into a pack of trouble, however, and just about squeezed through to the decision. Among other indignities suffered by the French veteran was a knockdown by the light-hitting Scortichini.

The latest blow to the Filippi ensemble was Hamia's crushing defeat by chunky Hogan (Kid) Bassey in their showdown battle for the 126-pound laurels. Before a near-capacity crowd in Paris' Palais des Sport, the championship hopes of the stylish Hamia were completely shattered by the strength, ruggedness and savage two-handed punching of Bassey. The bout was halted in the tenth round with Hamia thoroughly beaten and near collapse.

An odd feature of the match was that it pitted against each other two Africans, the first time in the long history of boxing that a world championship was contested by natives of the Dark Continent. Although a French citizen, and holder of the European title, Hamia is an Algerian from North Africa. Bassey, now living in England, and owner of the British Empire laurels, hails from Nigeria in West Africa.

The match was the finale of a tournament arranged when Sandy Saddler relinquished the title and announced his retirement because of failing vision. After consultations among the leading international boxing organizations—the New York State Athletic Commission, the National Boxing Association of America, the European Boxing Union and the British Boxing Board of Control—the starters selected were the four top men in The Ring's featherweight ratings. They were No. 1 Hamia, No. 2 Bassey, No. 3 Miguel Berrios and No. 4 Carmelo Costa. In the opening round of the eliminations, staged in New York, Berrios outfought Costa. The semi-final was shifted to Washington, with Bassey trouncing Berrios. The showndown between Hamia and Bassey developed keen bidding among the United States, England and France. The match ended up in Paris.

Bassey is the first Nigerian ever to become a world champion, but he is not the first West African to scale such lofty heights. Back in 1922 the quaint Battling Siki of Senegal acquired the light-heavyweight laurels by demolishing Georges Carpentier in a surprising upset in Paris.

The fight between Bassey and Hamia was a furious affair from the start. It pitted against each other two distinctive types of opponents—Hamia, tall and rangy, a stylish boxer and a snappy two-handed puncher, and Bassey, short and stocky, rugged, durable, aggressive and a lusty body clouter.

Bassey came out fighting at the opening bell and the fury of his attack had Hamia bewildered for the first minute. The Algerian steadied himself, however, and scored effectively to take the round by a slight margin.

In the second session it looked as though Hamia had solved Bassey's tactics. Cherif moved cleverly out of range of the Nigerian's rushes, and midway through the round he dropped in a short right to the chin that sent the British Empire champion sprawling on the canvas. Bassey looked dazed but calmly took the count of eight on one knee. When he arose, Hogan rushed at Hamia, but missed a wild swing, lost his balance and skidded to the canvas again. He was up immediately, however, and fighting savagely when the round ended.

Bassey continued his rip-roaring aggressiveness in the third, but Hamia held his own in the vicious exchanges. Bassey begin to move out in front in the fourth. With all his speed and skill, Hamia found it difficult to hold off the determined Nigerian, who was mixing shifty boxing of his own with

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Beginning of the end in tenth round when Hamia, battered through ropes, clutches Bassey and drags the Nigerian down with him. The battle was finale of world elimination tourney to decide successor to retired champion Sandy Saddler.

A gifted musician, "Mexican Joe's" main diversion was playing the violin.

TRAIL-BLAZER JOE RIVERS

Colorful Fighting and Personal Popularity of Californian Began Rush of Mexicans to Boxing

Joe Rivers, at the peak of his fighting form, an outstanding challenger for the world lightweight title.

By BILLY WILLIAMS

RING history features him mainly for his role in that "*double knockout*" episode with lightweight champion Ad Wolgast, but there were several other noteworthy chapters in the colorful career of Joe Rivers, who died recently at the age of 65 in his native Los Angeles.

Rivers, born Jose Ybarra, was not the first fighter of Mexican stock to achieve prominence in the professional prize ring, but he did more than either of his American-born predecessors, heavyweight Pete Everett of Colorado and featherweight-lightweight Aurelio Herrera of Bakersfield, Cal., to popularize boxing with their fellow-*caballeros*. Rivers not only was a good fighter, but he exerted tremendous personal magnetism among the bustling Mexican communities of Southern California. At the peak of his form, Joe was one of the outstanding box-office attractions on the Pacific Coast.

It was an ex-Philadelphian, Charley McHugh, secretary and announcer for the popular Pacific Athletic Club at Naud Junction in Los Angeles, who gave Rivers his nom de ring. The first time Joe, then a preliminary kid, appeared there, McHugh asked him his name.

"Jose Ybarra," said the youngster.

"Ye Gods!" exclaimed McHugh who had had very little experience with Mexicans. "*I'd forget that before I could announce it. We've got to find something simple. Where do you live?*"

"Down by the river," the kid answered.

"That's it, then," said McHugh. *"You're Joe Rivers."*

That was in 1908, when Joe, then 16, weighed 105 pounds.

A natural fighter, and stiff puncher, Rivers was a success from the start. With Joe Levy handling the managerial reins, the youngster was fighting main events within a year.

By 1911, Rivers had grown into a featherweight. His first major triumph was a 13-round knockout over Danny Webster in Vernon. Two bouts later, also in Vernon, he outpointed Johnny Kilbane in a 20-rounder.

About this time Uncle Tom McCarey, the Vernon promoter, decided to stage an elimination series to produce an opponent for Champion Abe Attell in a title match. During the tourney Rivers found himself pitted against Kilbane again. This time Joe, still growing, had difficulty making the class limit, then 122 pounds. He was knocked out in the 16th round. Kilbane went on to beat Attell for the championship.

Convinced it was weight-making that whipped him, Rivers moved up into lightweight competition. Knockouts early in 1912 over Frankie Conley and Jack White, both in Vernon, led to a match with Wolgast for the lightweight title. The bout was arranged for July 4 in Vernon, and was to produce one of the most controversial endings in ring annals.

For twelve rounds it had been a gruelling brawl, with Rivers having the better of the long-range action and Wolgast excelling in the rugged infighting. Near the end of the 13th both rivals scored simultaneously, Wolgast ripping a savage left into Rivers' body as Joe exploded his own left on Ad's chin. Rivers sank to the canvas, clutching his groin in apparent agony. A split-second later Wolgast toppled over on him.

Referee Jack Welch began counting. From Rivers' corner came hysterical shouts of *"foul!"* Welch ignored them. At the count of four, the referee suddenly reached down with his left arm, lifted the unconscious Wolgast, and continued to count over Rivers. Joe struggled to rise. He was on his feet, leaning against the ropes, when the bell ended the round at the count of eight.

Welch later insisted he hadn't heard the bell, had counted Rivers out and declared the unconscious Wolgast winner and still champion!

Amid all the excitement and confusion, Welch made a hasty exit from the arena and escaped the physical wrath of Rivers' irate followers.

Exactly one year later—July 4, 1913—Rivers was given another crack at the lightweight title, this time by Willie Ritchie, who had relieved Wolgast of the laurels in Daly City a few months before. Luck once more went against Rivers. He was knocked out in the 11th round in San Francisco.

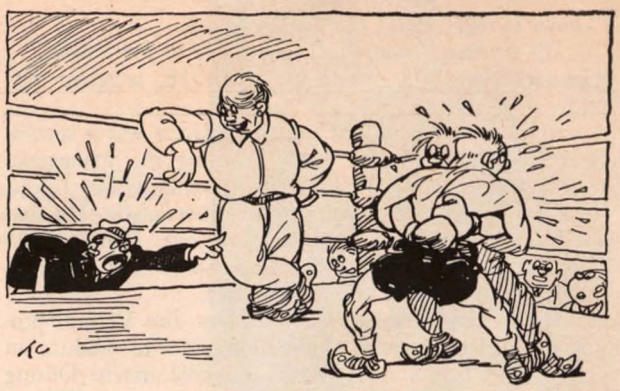
Until 1914, Rivers' fighting had been confined exclusively to California, but that year he began to spread his activities around the national landscape. He continued to be a popular attraction in his home state, and fought there often, but he alternated his home stands with frequent jaunts to other sectors. He made several trips to New York, and appeared in Boston, Cincinnati, Akron, Columbus, Milwaukee, Kansas City, Memphis, New Orleans, Denver, Ogden, Reno and Albuquerque. He didn't miss many of the lightweight topliners of the era. His list of opponents included Freddie Welsh, Leach Cross, Joe Mandot, Johnny Dundee, Gilbert Gallant, Stanley (Soakem Yoakem, Richie Mitchell, Lockport Jimmy Duffy, Harvey Thorpe, Johnny Harvey and Johnny Griffiths. He even met up with Ad Wolgast again, this time in a 10-round no-decision affair in Milwaukee.

Rivers' ring career ended on a winning note. He knocked out a Pete McCarthy in three rounds in Albuquerque in 1923. Retiring from the strenuous trade, Joe operated a tavern for a while in Los Angeles. In recent years, he had lived quietly in a sidestreet hotel in Hollywood, eking out a modest living with occasional "bit" parts in motion picture films. A gifted musician, his chief relaxation was playing his violin.

A colorful character, and a real good fighter, Jose Ybarra, yclept Joe Rivers. He blazed what has since become a merry and lucrative trail for Mexicans in the prize ring.

Rivers' second bid for championship ended disastrously when "Mexican Joe" was knocked out by Willie Ritchie in 11th round in San Francisco on July 4, 1913. One year before, Rivers was victim in famous "double knockout" match with Ad Wolgast in Vernon.

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT



By BOB ALLEN

DESPITE the revolutionary changes that have taken place in the boxing industry since the advent of television one condition remains constant—the complete lack of organization within the sport. Oh, sure there is a World Boxing Championship Committee. And there is also a European Boxing Union. There is, in this country, a National Boxing Association. There is the New York State Athletic Commission, unaffiliated with the N.B.A. There are various State Commissions and City Commissions which do claim affiliation with the N.B.A. and which actually cooperate with that group—when it suits their purposes.

But no one group speaks for boxing and never has. That's why some champions openly defy boxing commissions and get away with it. That's why we often have dual champions (as we have now in the bantamweight class, with Alphonse Halimi recognized as titleholder by some groups and Raton Macias accepted as champion by the N.B.A.) That's why a State Commission, even though belonging to the N.B.A., can thumb its nose at that organization and go its own merry way when it pleases (as did the commission in the State of Washington recently when it sanctioned so palpably a mismatch as Floyd Patterson and Pete Rademacher).

That's why Floyd Stevens, president of the N.B.A., can be saying one thing while Fred Saddy, head of its rating committee, can be saying something entirely different.

That's why an announcer on a network show can start off by telling his television audience that the State in which the show is taking place uses the ten-point-must scoring system and then, five minutes later, apologize to his audience because that State, it seems, uses not the ten-point-must but rather the five-point-must. (That happened recently, too.)

That's why we have such silly situations as the "world heavyweight championship" bout in Toronto last summer between Archie Moore and James J. Parker. That's why we have such things as World Champion of Maryland and World Champion of Pennsylvania.

Think that's funny? Ray Robinson once boxed Izzy Jannazzo at Baltimore in a bout which only the State of Maryland recognized as a welterweight championship, and the same Ray Robinson once boxed Robert Villemain in a bout which only the State of Pennsylvania sanctioned as a middleweight championship.

One doesn't hear much anymore from Abe J. Greene, (is he still N.B.A. Commissioner?), but when that distinguished New Jersey gentleman was more active in boxing he tried valiantly to speak for boxing, for all of boxing. Mr. Greene meant well. He realized that boxing required a degree of organization, uniformity of rules, cooperation, and a spokesman. He spent years trying to bring all this about—but boxing remained disorganized.

And so, alas, we will continue to have Floyd Stevens saying one thing while Fred Saddy says something entirely different; we will continue to have individual state commissions making boxing appear ridiculous with Patterson-Rademacher matches; we will continue to have dual champions; we will continue to have open defiance of commissions. Let's hope we continue to have Boxing.

Doc Greene, Detroit News columnist, quoted an old-time fight manager recently as follows: "*Boxing,*" he said, "*is like a corkscrew. It's a twisted, curly kind of an instrument. I guess it maybe could be straightened out. But then what would you have? And what would it be good for?*"

In describing the victory of Terry Downes, British preliminary fighter, over one Alan Dean, a London paper criticized Downes for his "*American habit of holding and hitting.*" This is an American habit? Maybe so but it's better than the habit of some European fighters of holding and not hitting.

It was just twenty years ago that the Tonypandy Terror, Tommy Farr—having beaten three former American champions: Tommy Loughran, Bob Olin, Max Baer—came to these shores to do battle with the then new world heavyweight champion, Joe Louis. It wasn't easy to get Farr over here. Tommy was a man who knew pretty much what he wanted and what he wanted to box Louis was a guarantee of $50,000. He got it.

He also got enough mileage out of going fifteen tough rounds with Louis to carry him through four more losing efforts in this country. He lost to Jim Braddock, Baer, Lou Nova, Red Burman. Farr could never fashion a ring triumph in this country but he made (1) a lot of money and (2) a lot of friends.

Many letters of protest piled into the boxing offices of the Chicago Stadium following Gene Fullmer's victory over Tiger Jones. Most of the protests were based on Fullmer's tactics of backing into the ropes and then bouncing off to smash at his opponent. We saw nothing wrong with Fullmer's tactics but if he is going to make bouncing off the ropes a permanent feature of his style, he should take some lessons from the master of that sort of thing: Johnny Dundee.

A Broadway columnist carried a note recently to the effect that Carmen Basilio is in the insurance business. This reminded us of a story involving Lou Nova. Very late in his ring career Nova decided he would like to invest in railroad bonds. Lou had a fight scheduled in Boston against Tami Mauriello and he asked his broker to get in touch with him immediately upon his return to New York after the contest.

The fight was a fast one, with Nova knocked out in the very first round. When he returned to New York he received a phone call from the broker.

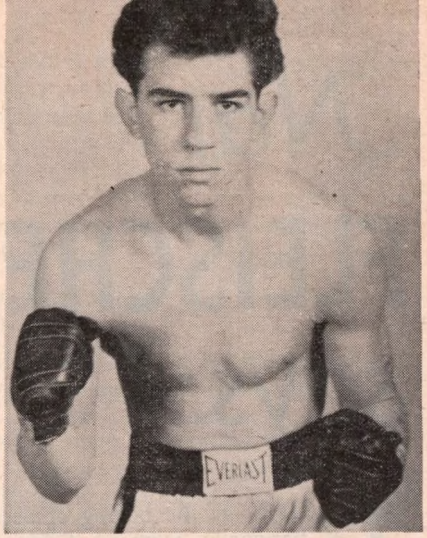
"*You asked me to call you about buying some railroad bonds,*" said the Wall Street man.

"*Oh, I'm sorry,*" replied Nova while presumably rubbing his jaw, "*but I've just talked to my wife in California and she says I better buy life insurance.*"

Robert K. (Marquis of) Christenberry, former chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, has become the Republican candidate for Mayor of New York City. You might say that after five years of diligent attendance at fights in the Garden and St. Nick, Christenberry has wound up by throwing his hat in the ring.

SEEN ON TV

By LEW ESKIN



New York lightweight contender Johnny Busso, who upset Larry Boardman in his last start. Johnny has won 30 of 35 fights.

JOHNNY BUSSO

"THAT was my anniversary present to my wife Roslyn," said lightweight Johnny Busso speaking of his impressive win over Larry Boardman.

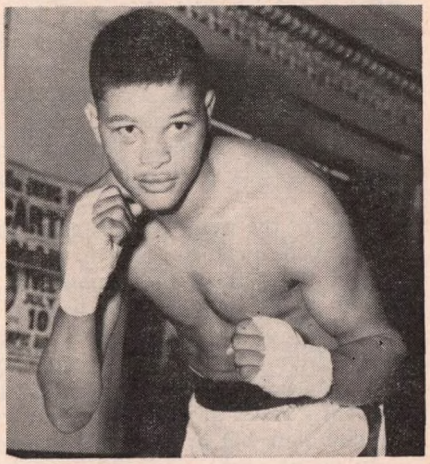
"You know my wife never comes to my fights. She won't even watch them on TV. Usually she tunes in to watch the introductions, then goes for a walk until they are over. Well she surprised me by coming up to Boston where I thought she was going to break down and come to see the fight, but she stayed in the hotel with my cousin's wife and when the fight came on the TV, she remained in another room and stayed there till it was over."

Although Johnny and Rosyln have lived in Astoria, L. I., since their marriage last June, his roots are on New York's lower East Side where he grew up and where his family and friends still live. He is the oldest of two sons born to Joseph and Josephine Busso. He was born in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., on June 4, 1934.

A graduate of Seward Park High School, Busso first took up boxing when he was twelve at a summer camp of the Madison Square Boy's Club, but didn't think about it as a career until after he had competed in the Golden Gloves in 1952. He entered with some of his pals and reached the quarter-finals winning 4 in a row, 3 by kayos, before losing. It was then that he felt he might do all right as a professional.

Since joining the pros in December 1952, he has moved rapidly, winning 30, losing 4 and boxing a draw. A well built, five feet nine inches, 138 pounder with dark brown curly hair and brown eyes, he is a boxer-puncher with a sharp left hook. He has halted 14 of his foes including Johnny DiGilio, Tommy Elder, Cortez Jackson, Frankie Ippolito, Tommy Marciano, Chic Boucher and Rocky Randell, while posting wins over Tommy Salem, Orlando Zulueta, Earl Dennis and Dennis Pat Brady.

A diligent gym worker when training, Johnny relaxes by playing shortstop on the softball team of the Dapper's A.C.



Top action middleweight Willie Vaughn of Los Angeles. A crowd pleaser, Willie is ranked among the top ten.

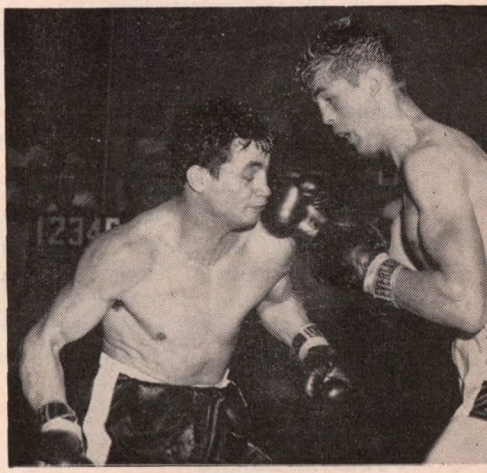
He is the manager of his Dad's button factory, where he has worked his way up since starting as a messenger boy and later as a driller.

"My father told me the only way that I could learn how to run the business was to learn each different job," remarked Johnny.

"One thing is sure," said Busso, "no matter what happens in the ring, I'll never lose all my buttons."

WILLIE VAUGHN

A tough journeyman worker, Willie Vaughn of Los Angeles, is sure to give a rough time to anyone. Joey Giardello can verify that statement. A few months ago in Kansas City, Vaughn swarmed all over Giardello to punch his way to a ten round decision, but amid much confusion, a re-check showed that the referee used the wrong scoring system in adding up his points and the commission changed the result to read "No Decision." It was a tough break for Willie.



Young Brooklyn welterweight Tony DeCola (right) scores with a right to the jaw of French lightweight Felix Chiocca whom he upset in a close fight.

Canadian born Gale Kerwin (left) moves in on Tony DiBiase during their recent bout that saw Gale score a five round k.o. He has lost only 4 of 29 bouts.

Born in Eloy, Arizona, December 4, 1932, one of three boys in a family of ten children, he was raised in Texas

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Nat FLEISCHER says:

Weird Decisions arouse public ire; Wisconsin boxing is close to a kayo; Hurley's "Dream" bout blow to sport

JUDGING by the booing of decisions in the majority of nationally televised fights during the past six months, it might be a good idea if the boxing commissions throughout the country followed the example of the Louisiana State Athletic Commission which has appointed three of its members, Pete Herman, Emile Bruneau and Jake Graffagni to conduct a special course of training for its judges and referees. Unfortunately, however, the instruction is to be given only to the Negro officials. Why not all?

Some of the weird verdicts given throughout the country —New York included—indicate a lack of knowledge of boxing on the part of the majority of those who hold the future of the boys in their hands. Years ago, under the supervision of Bill Brown, New York Commissioner, such clinics were held frequently with the State's most competent officials—Arthur Donovan, Ed Purdy, Jack O'Sullivan and Patsy Haley giving lectures. A revival, not only in the Empire State but in all, would benefit boxing considerably.

In recent weeks, six major contests have aroused the ire of the TV and ringside fans.

Why a continuation of such displeasures?

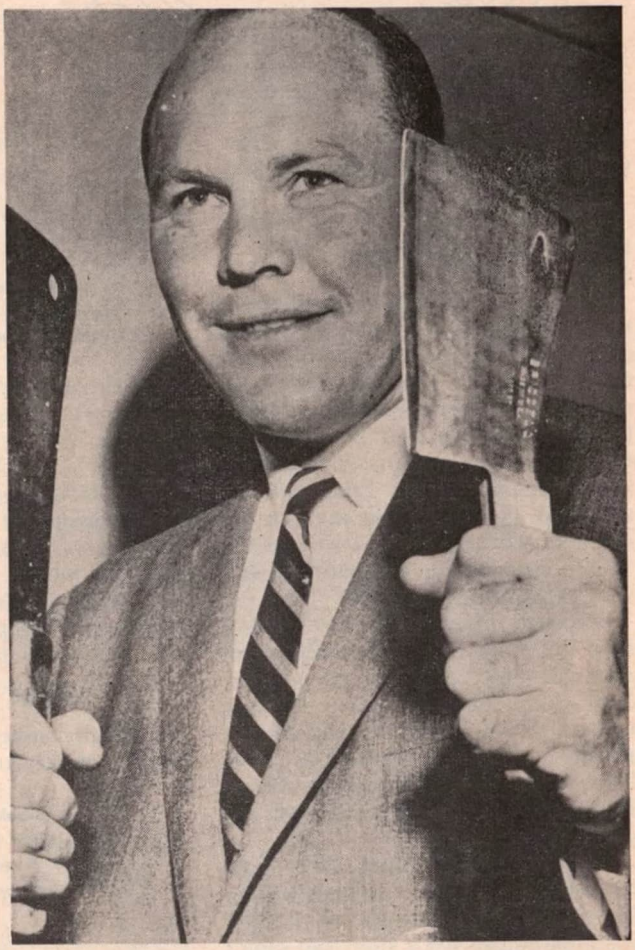
Because too many incompetent officials are assigned by the various commissions to handle the fights. A drastic change is needed.

As I have frequently written, it is difficult to judge a bout accurately on television, but the margin of difference has been so great in recent weeks that one wonders whether the judgment of the officials can be so superior to that of the ringsiders who hoot and jeer and the TV fans who flood our office with letters demanding action. Such was the case in the Boyd-Castellani, Atkins-Byars, Archer-DiBiase, Turner-Bahama, Anthony-Durelle and Giambra-Calhoun contests. The verdicts in each of these caused a national wave of discontent.

PROMOTERS REOPENING DOORS TO BOXING

It is interesting to note that with the decision of Federal Judge Ryan tearing apart the International Boxing Club, several cities in which boxing has been dormant for many years, have reopened their doors to boxing. Whether they can continue to operate, remains to be seen. We cannot conceive how shows with nationally prominent boxers can be staged with financial success without the aid of television and radio. With screen showings on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, there is continued tough going ahead for promoters whose shows are scheduled for the same nights.

For the first time in more than two decades, Mobile, Alabama has returned to the boxing fold with Mobile Boxing Enterprises, operating. Thus far its three attempts have been well patronized with a leap in attendance of about 200 in each successive show.



Peter Radamacher, heavyweight Olympic Champion, will need these cleavers if he intends to go through with his match with Floyd Patterson in Seattle on August 22. It will be Radamacher's first professional fight.

BOXING CONTINUES THE TARGET OF CRUSADERS

More and more boxing has become a target for crusaders and legislators. The sport, like baseball and football, is a national pastime. Its enjoyment by millions of people is certified by the sponsors of the nationally televised shows. When a company like the Gillette Razor Blade concern is willing to pay more than $10,000,000 for screening major contests and the Mennan-Miles Laboratory concerns put close to that much on the line, they do so because the public interest in boxing enables them to sell their product through the medium of fights.

We find Uncle Sam tossing the harpoon into boxing by

breaking up the most powerful, financially responsible organization staging shows anywhere; managers' guilds ruining their own game by fighting among themselves; champions killing the goose that laid the golden egg by long periods of inactivity and legislators, under political pressure or for the purposes of publicity hitting the game below the belt by withholding necessary funds to carry on the supervision of the sport. What is our favorite pastime coming to?

In Wisconsin where boxing has flourished for a long time despite the fact that major events have been staged only now and then, the sport is on the verge of being abolished. The refusal of the State Legislators to place into the State budget more than a token appropriation to pay the expenses of the Commission, $20,500–enough for the payment of stamps and the stenographers–and the killing of legislation taxing wrestling, has brought the abolishment of the State Athletic Commission a little closer.

The greed of the wrestling promoters who fought desperately against the tax, will undoubtedly enable the grapplers to continue their burlesque performances while the honest kids who seek a livelihood through boxing, will find it necessary to seek to employ their talent in other states.

Perhaps Wisconsin may yet see–thanks to its legislators–the resumption of the cruelty that existed prior to the enaction of legalized boxing throughout the country. Should the State abolish the Boxing Commission through the lack of foresight on the part of its law makers, bootleg boxing with its crooked deals and dangers is certain to be carried on.

Perhaps a death, brought about by the failure of the State of Wisconsin to provide medical and other supervision to those who box within its borders, will quickly change the attitude of those who begrudge boxing the little it seeks to enable the Commission to carry on its safety program.

Think it over–you Wisconsin legislators.

LEAVE IT TO JACK HURLEY TO ARRANGE A 'DREAM' BOUT

The brazen action of Cus D'Amato, manager of Floyd Patterson and Jack Hurley, Seattle manager and promoter, in arranging a world heavyweight championship between Patterson, should he defeat Hurricane Jackson and Peter Radamacher, Olympic title holder, has aroused public indignation. Julius Helfand, Chairman of the New York Commission and head of the World Championship Committee and Floyd Stevens, president of the National Boxing Association, in messages of protest to the Washington State Athletic Board requested that the bout be banned. Radamacher has never fought as a professional. His entry into the money chasing field is not only a detriment to the better interest of boxing but may even result in a fatality.

In the opinion of The Ring Editor, such a silly match is unwarranted and every effort should be made by the authorities to see that it doesn't take place. Not only has Radamacher, former football star who knocked out a Russian giant in the final bout of the Melbourne Olympic Games to win the crown, never engaged in a pro battle but has had very few bouts even as an amateur.

Floyd Patterson against an amateur!

How silly can one be to give it consideration?

I'm amazed at both Hurley and D'Amato to dream up such a match. They should have their heads examined.

FIRST CASE OF DEATH RECORDED IN GERMANY

Deaths in the ring have been recorded under commission rule, but far lower in numbers than before such supervisors in boxing were appointed to function under state laws. Let's not go back to dark ages in pugilism. The sport, with all its present day faults, remains a favorite pastime for public entertainment and as such deserves better treatment than has been accorded it of late.

Since January 1 there have been six ring fatalities, one of which occurred in our country. The latest was in Dortmund, Germany, where lightweight boxer Karlheinz Bick, boxing with Manfred Neuke, suffered a brain hemorrhage and died shortly after admittance in a hospital. It was the first case of a death in the Fatherland.

MARCIANO, FREE OF WEILL, ENTERS TELEVISION FIELD

Now that Rocky Marciano and Al Weill have ended their partnership and the retired, undefeated heavyweight champion is free to carry out his own business, he'll be seen frequently on television where his services have been in demand. Hitherto he has refused such employment because of his contract with his former manager.

Playing his first acting role in film TV, Rocky took the part of Reilly, a smuggler in the "Captain David Grief" series. After handcuffing Governor Molina, Marciano informs the Governor and Raquel Molina that he will seize the newly discovered treasures of gold an ancient stone idols. He is well suited for the part he plays.

The scene was filmed in Cuba by Guild Films. Rocky is just as much at home in his new role as he was in the ring. Interviewed, he said that he hopes to appear often in television pictures.

"Al and I have never been mad at each other," declared the champ. *"But I wanted to make my own decisions and asked Weill to let me have my release. When I was fighting I was willing to take Al's word for everything but now it is different. My contract with Al would have expired on July 31 but he agreed to waive the remaining period on condition that I wouldn't make a comeback. I assured Al I wouldn't fight again."*

CERTIFICATES ENCOURAGES BOYS

Augustus Allen, former coach of the U. S. Marines boxing team on which Laverne Roach starred, has a novel idea to instil new interest in boxing. As athletic director of the Ferguson Youth Center in Louisville, Kentucky, he gives diplomas to those who graduate from his special boxing school.

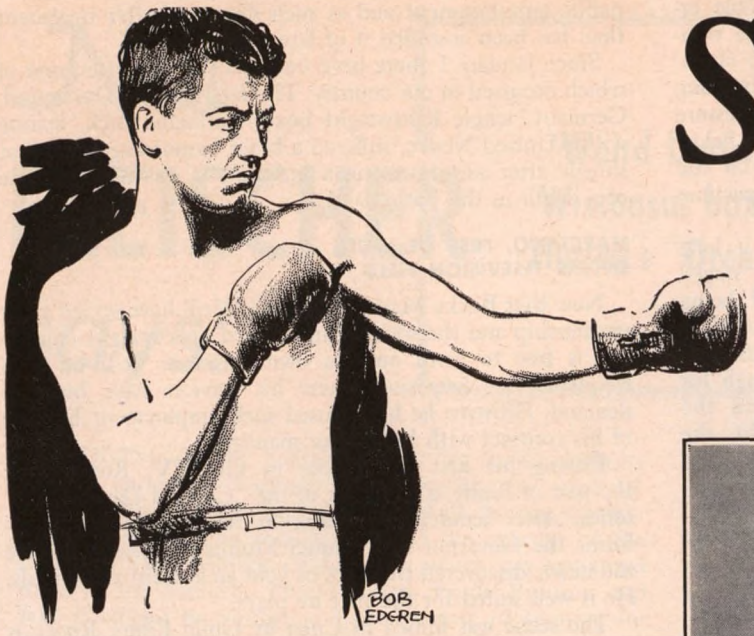
Allen has an excellent record as a coach and trainer. Harold Dade and Bob Satterfield were his team mates on the Chicago CYO team before Allen joined the Marines.

RING WITH PLASTIC DOME

John R. Grum of Nutley, New Jersey, has a novel ring which he has invented and on which a patent is pending.

The ring is enclosed in a plastic dome, is portable, offers protection to the boxers from smoke, heat, and bad air as well as protecting the officials from hearing the comments of the fans so that they can keep their mind on the fight.

German lightweight, Karlheinz Bick, is carried from the ring unconsicous after his bout with Manfred Neuke. He died in hospital from a brain hemorrhage.



Kid McCoy, trickiest of old-timers, didn't let ethics interfere with his policy of victory-at-any-price.

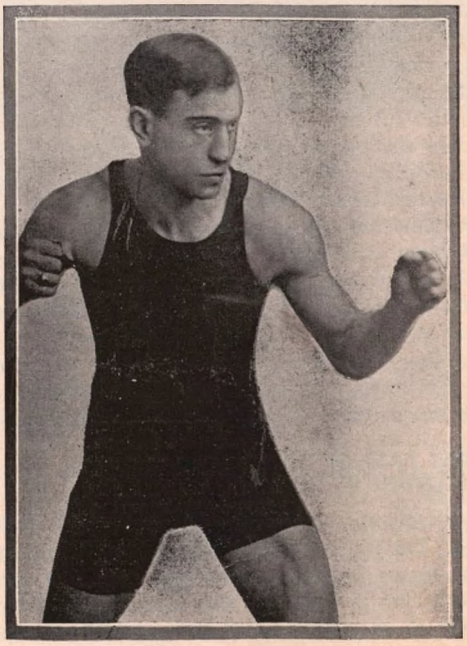
Strategy

By JERSEY JONES

Smartness in Ring Has Become A Lost Art in Modern Era of Slam-Bang "Club Fighters'

(Above) Young Corbett (right) and his victim, Terry McGovern, whom he taunted into "losing his head."

(Below) Leach Cross, who became famous for feigning grogginess and drawing overconfident opponent into fatal opening.



THE thing that impressed veteran observers most in Ray Robinson's sudden, devastating knockout of rugged Gene Fullmer in their Chicago episode for the world middleweight title was the first bit of intelligent "strategy" seen in a ring in many a long month.

For three rounds the awkward Fullmer, hunched behind a tight defense of shoulders and arms, presented a difficult target for Robinson to hit solidly. Ray's main problem, if he hoped to win, was to open up that defense. He maneuvered smartly. Using his left only for light, ineffectual jabbing, Robinson seemed to rely almost entirely on his right for a decisive score. Time and again he tossed that right, but couldn't connect with a vulnerable spot. Fullmer's turtle-like defense was working well.

Gene and his advisers were convinced the aging Robinson had gone right-hand crazy, as the trade calls it. The Utahan continued to be wary of that right—but became careless of Ray's left.

It was a fatal error. Through the years Robinson had amply demonstrated on more than one notable occasion that his left hook was as deadly as his flashing right. But Fullmer stumbled into the trap. Gene was paying too much attention to Ray's right and ignoring the left.

Then, suddenly, midway through the fourth round, it happened! Robinson looped a right bolo to Fullmer's body. Gene rushed in—but his right arm was low and his chin offered a wide open target for Ray's left. Over went the hook, exploding with all the power the 35-year-old Robinson could put behind it. Down went Fullmer for the full count.

OUTSMARTING HIMSELF.

Even such simple strategy as Robinson used on Fullmer has become rare in these days of slam-bang "*club-fighters*". Thinking has become a lost art in an era of unskilled labor. The main qualifications of an aspiring ringman now are physical strength, ruggedness and durability.

As we've had occasion to observe before in these columns, current fighters are typical of the restless times. Everybody's in such an infernal hurry, nobody's got time to learn his trade.

A fairly nimble mind can be a tremendous asset to a ringman. Out-thinking the other guy is just as important as outpunching him, sometimes even more important. Many of the ring's all-time classics have been decided by strategy.

Strategy can take many and varied forms. It isn't always quick thinking during a fight. It may be something that happens before a bout—at the signing of contracts, or at weighing-in, or when the referee is giving instructions.

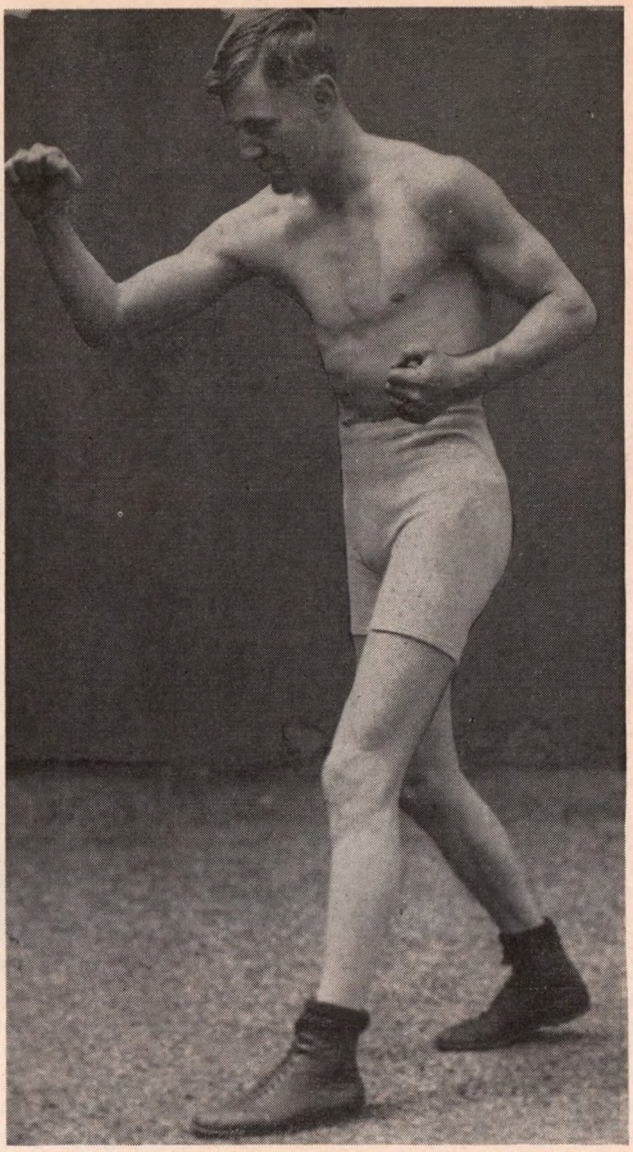
For a case in point, there was the time, back in 1903, when old Bob Fitzsimmons, then 41, was pitted against George Gardner in San Francisco for the light-heavyweight title. Gardner, 26, was at the peak of his form, strong, durable, and a stiff puncher. His knockout record listed such names as Jimmy Handler, Frank Craig, Peter Maher and Jack Root. He'd also pounded out decisions over the likes of Joe Walcott, Kid Carter and Marvin Hart.

Gardner figured to be too young and strong for the aging Fitz. But, to all intents and purposes, he was beaten before the first bell rang.

As the fighters entered the ring, Fitz, grinning, walked over to Gardner's corner, slapped George heartily on the back, and wished him luck. Gardner's confidence oozed out of him then and there, and Fitz went on to take a 20-round decision and the title.

"*Goat-getting*" was a popular habit with the old crowd. And it usually paid off. It certainly did for Billy Rothwell (Young Corbett) when he stunned the boxing world by knocking out the great Terry McGovern in two rounds in Hartford in 1901.

The cocky Corbett was an implicit believer in that ancient quotation: "*Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad.*" His strategy was to make McGovern "mad," and he succeeded. En route to the ring, he stopped at Terry's dressing room and banged on the door. "*Come on out, you blankety-blank-blank, and take your licking,*" he shouted. McGovern was seething when the fight started, and during the first round Corbett further inflamed Terry by taunting him with a steady barrage of uncomplimentary remarks. By the second round McGovern's rage reached the boiling point. Tossing caution to the winds, McGovern rushed in wildly and fell a quick, easy victim to the Denver sharpshooter.



Joe Welling, whose assortment of aggravating "tricks" made him a difficult opponent for Benny Leonard.

THE TRICKY KID McCOY.

Any dissertation on ring strategy would necessarily have to include references to the trickiest of the old-time crowd, Kid McCoy. The Kid never was one to be influenced by scruples or ethics. He operated on a win-at-any-price theory, and it must be admitted that his ever-agile brain came up with some clever schemes. One of his best known was that of suddenly pointing down to the floor and advising his opponent that his shoe laces were untied. When the unsuspecting victim looked down, McCoy hauled off and belted him.

Then, there was the time McCoy's opponent insisted on fighting without shoes, and the Kid had one of his seconds scatter a handful of tacks along the canvas.

How McCoy inveigled the middleweight champion, Tommy Ryan, into a title match in 1896, is one of the ring's classic episodes. The Kid, as a youngster, had put in a training camp seige with Ryan. While absorbing daily pastings, he studied Ryan's technique without revealing too much of his own. A few years later, with the plea that he could get a good payday if Ryan would fight him, the Kid talked Tommy into a match at Maspeth, Long Island. Ryan, feeling McCoy was a soft touch, didn't train too conscientiously for the bout. The result was the Kid gave him an unmerciful lacing and knocked him out in the fifteenth round.

Joe Choynski was another not averse at times to resorting to unusual means to beat an opponent. Back in 1896 Joe met up with a young ex-sailor in San Francisco. It was Tom Sharkey, just beginning to establish a name for himself in professional circles. Choynski contracted to knock Sharkey out in eight rounds or forfeit the decision. After bouncing some of his lustiest clouts off Sharkey's rugged chin without appreciable results, Choynski realized he had undertaken a larger assignment than expected. He needed assistance. He'd maneuver Sharkey toward a corner, sock Tom on the chin and the ex-gob's head would crash back into the ring post. Even this tactic was futile. Sharkey had pretty much of a cast-iron skull in those days. It not only survived Choynski's punches in front, and the battering of the posts in the rear, but at the finish Tom was still on his feet, swinging away at Choynski.

WELLING ANNOYED LEONARD.

When the Walker Law brought boxing back to New York in 1920, after an absence of three years, the opening card staged by Tex Rickard in old Madison Square Garden featured Joe Welling and Johnny Dundee. It was an-

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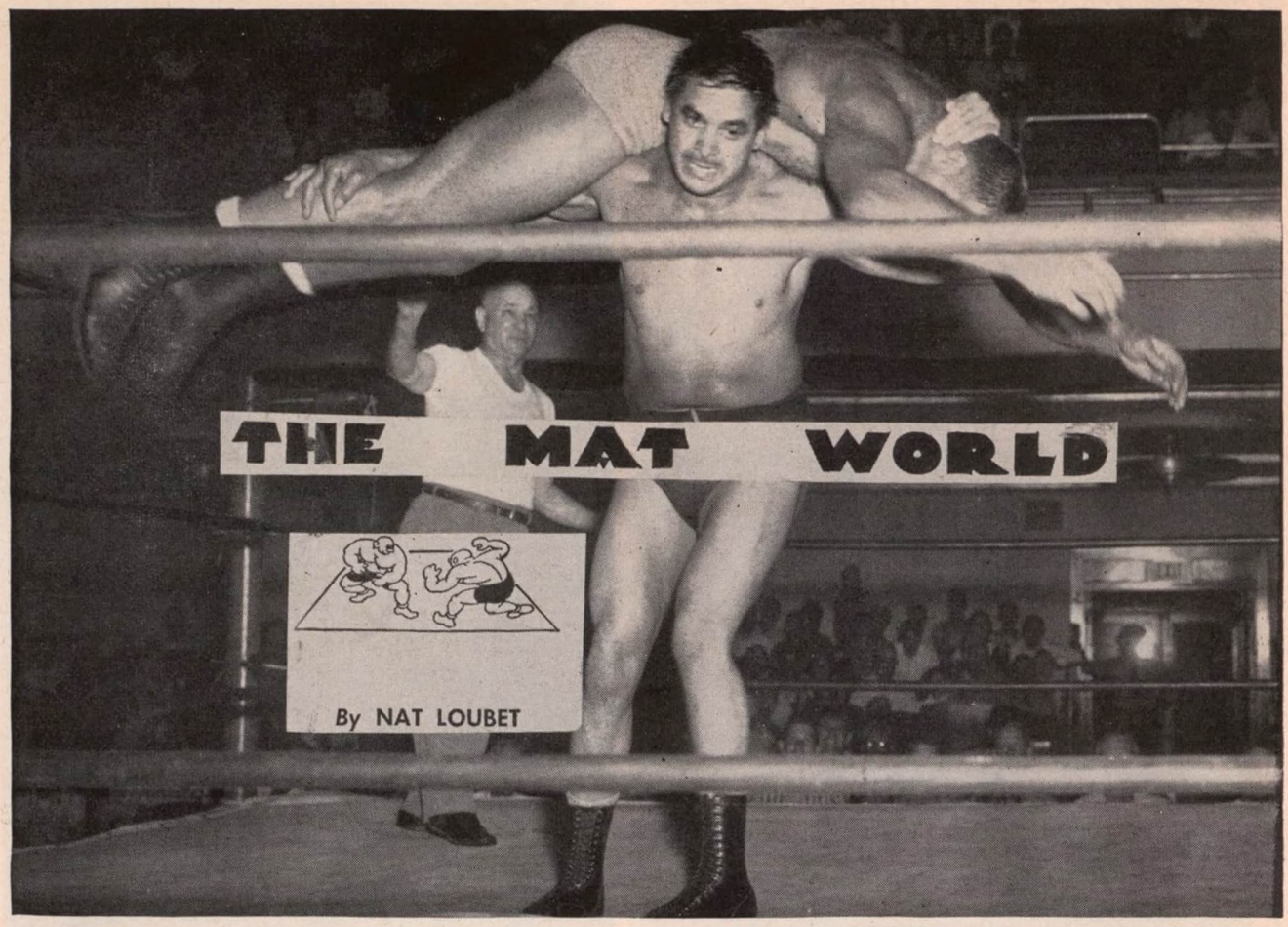


Enrique Torres in process of completing an airplane spin to the discomforture of 265 pound Mike Sharpe. Torres won the match. Photo by Bob Martin.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

DID you know that Leo Nomellini and Reggie Lisowski both grew up in Chicago and played against each other in football? . . . now they wrestle against each other . . . Nomellini recently defeated Lisowski in Minneapolis on a card run by promoter Dennis Stecher.

Toronto for many years the top drawing city in this hemisphere has in recent months been topped by shows in Montreal.

Frank Sinatra and Ralph Gambina are co-managers of Mickey Northrup. Bobby Bybee, former boxer, now operates a garage in Frisco, California.

Southern California has in action Mr. Moto, Shag Thomas, Billy Varga, Leo Garibaldi, Bob Brazil and Nick Bockwinkle. Sandor Szabo is still at the old stand giving a chance to all who want to wrest his laurels away from him on the "Beat the Champ" show.

Mickey Gold, wrestler and chiropractor, checks over Hombre Montana (center) and star football player-wrestler, Leo Nomellini in San Francisco. Photo by Masura.

Peggy Allen, 5 ft. 5½' red headed beauty who toes the scales at 138 pounds.

There are now three Torres brothers grappling . . . addition to Enrique and Ramon is the newcomer Alfredo.

Butch Levy who has an injured back will be sidelined for a while.

Kinji Shibuya one of the toughest of the rough 'em up wrestlers now appearing from California to Minneapolis . . . recently teamed up with Karl Steiff as a tag team.

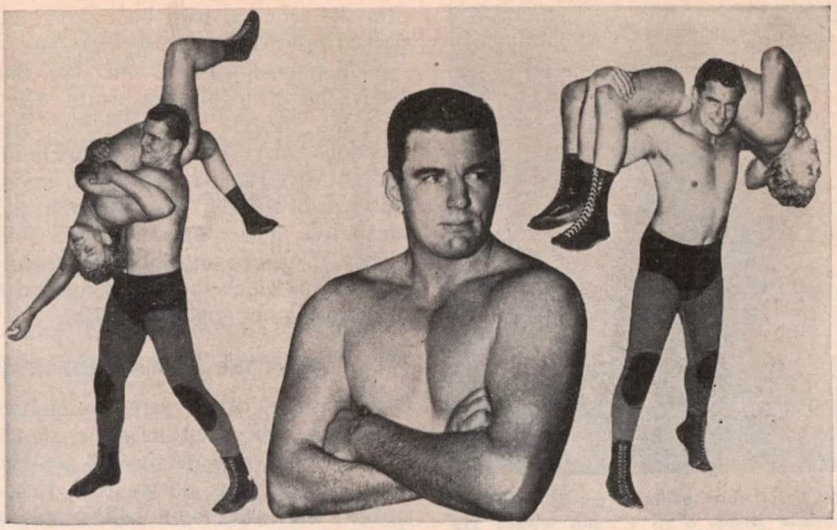
Hans Stretz, Germany's cruiser champion has retired from boxing and has taken up wrestling. Several German boxers have done this since the war, but Stretz is an exception to the rule. The German has been out of action since he sustained an injured eye when fighting Dogomar Martinez in November last. The German has been told that if he fights again he may lose his sight. After this warning and the recent death of Karl Heinz Bick, Stretz decided to retire. Stretz held both the middle and the cruiser titles during his career as a boxer. Out of 89 professional fights he has won 71, lost 8, drew 9 and was ended in No Contest. He has beaten Johnny Sullivan, Alex Buxton and Randy Turpin, and was twice unlucky to lose to EBW champion, Charles Humez.

Tom Jenkins, ex-heavyweight champion wrestler and wrestling instructor to President Eisenhower at West Point, has passed on at 84. He lived at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, New York. He perfected the catch-as-catch-can type of wrestling. Jenkins held the title from 1893, when he won it from Farmer Burns, until he lost it in 1905 to the great Frank Gotch. He was a wrestling and boxing instructor at West Point for 37 years and retired from the Point in 1942.

Received latest bulletin from the Baillargeon Brothers Fan Club and Mrs. Thoeny, President of the club, is doing her usual good job. Want to join? Write to her, Route 1, Box 176, Hugo, Minnesota.

Thanks to Hilda Martin, President of the Torres Brothers Fan Club, for making me an honorary member. She can be contacted at 4969 N. Glenn, Fresno 4, California.

Word from Ilio Di Paolo Fan Club. President Elsie Smith sends word that Ilio is on his way to Australia from Toronto.

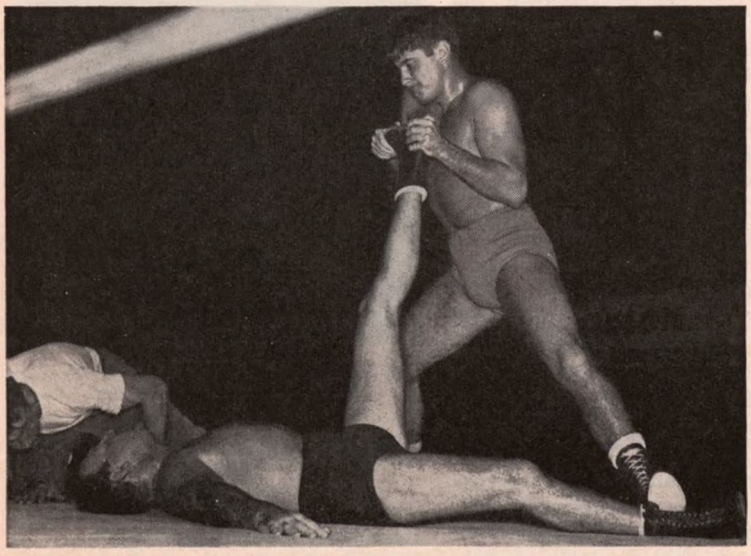


Big Bill Miller, the 270 pound Ohio power-house shows how he does it with his favorite hold. He is one of wrestling's top money makers.

DOMINIC "KING KONG" DOGANIERO

Dominic "KING KONG" Doganiero, Camden, New Jersey heavyweight, is touring the nation with the sensation Ricky Starr. Doganiero, a former policeman, ex Wildwood, N. J., Lifeguard, former all State fullback at Camden High School, is seen nightly on the mats of Ohio, Illinois, Iowa, West Virginia, South Carolina, Washington, D. C., and throughout Canada. Dominic is very popular in Camden, New Jersey, where the Mayor, George E. Brunner, members of city council, the Chief of Police, all know wrestler Dominic Doganiero personally, and loyally tune him in on television. Dominic plays handball with many of the Camden policemen, politicians, business tycoons and big labor leaders in the Camden YMCA. He plays steady handball engagements with Sergeant Frank "Tip" Gorman of the Camden police, an ex boxer himself.

In Camden where Dominic Doganiero is a popular athletic idol the men around him are his brothers, Frank and Ben, Enrico and Tony, his friend-trainer Vince Salerno, and seconds Jerry Palumbo, Camden contractor, and George Burkett, an old-time loyal wrestling fan. The brothers and family of wrestler Dominic Doganiero own and operate a chain of Drug Stores throughout Camden county, Dominic's



Leo Garibaldi known to the teen agers, to whom he is an idol, as "Lightning" is seen here forcing Big Ben Sharpe of Canada to concede defeat. Garibaldi, ex-serviceman and son of Gino is a favorite on the Pacific Coast.

The women midgets seem to have caught on in certain areas of the U. S. and one of the most capable and prettiest is "The Blonde Bombshell", Miss Doll Paige. She stands 45 inches high and weighs 90 pounds.

The Great Scott hailing from St. Andrews, Scotland stands 6 ft. 1" and weighs 225 pounds. He is one of the most glamorous and toughest matsters in the ring today.

Brother Robert is a senior non-com in the air force.

During world war two Dominic paid for his expensive wrestling lessons by working in the tin shop of the New York Shipyard where he was friendly with and received instructions from Fred "Legs" Grubmier the 'Iowa Python' who was a sergeant of the guards in Camden's New York Shipyard. Dominic then went into the Merchant Marine and later the Coast Guard. He was a New Jersey uniformed policeman for a while but his first love is the padded mat or w-r-e-s-t-l-i-n-g. One of the rare thrills in Dominic's thrill-packed life is to whir up to the top of New York's Empire State Building and fixedly stare with real open-eyed wonderment at the concrete and steel architectural beauty of New York City's skyline. Dominic is known in Hollywood and a friend of Frankie Sinatra.

MISS DOLL PAIGE, THE BLOND BOMB SHELL OF THE MIDGET GIRL WRESTLERS

Doll Paige, the Blonde Bombshell of the Midget Girl Wrestlers, stands 45 inches tall and toes the Toledos at 90 pounds.

Born on a farm a few miles out of Jackson, Mississippi, she later moved to Jackson, where she attended school.

Miss Paige comes from a normal family. Her Mom and Dad are real proud of "Doll," for she has always been a credit to the family. Upon graduating from High School, she entered Nurse's Training at the University Hospital in Jackson, Mississippi, until she decided that being a nurse was not enough excitement for her.

Doll attended the wrestling matches regularly in Jackson. Then came the time she was introduced to a manager, who told Doll she had the makings of a "Great Little Wrestler." So, Miss Paige agreed—said she was ready for training—rushed home, and in 30 minutes she returned with her luggage all packed to leave for a new profession.

Doll trained hard for one year, but today she claims it was worth every moment, because she receives a tremendous salary for her fine performances. Miss Paige is the clean, scientific type of wrestler, but can get on the mean side if her opponent uses foul tactics. Doll's favorite hold is the Airplane Spin, which she is very successful in defeating her opponents with.

PEGGY ALLEN THE FLAMING RED HEAD

Miss Peggy Allen gave up motion pictures for the wrestling game, stands 5 ft. 5½ inches and weighs 138 pounds. Peggy, a gorgeous Sherry Red Headbuxom babe, was born and raised in Bluefield, W. Va., where she went to school as an average person.

Upon graduating from High School, Peggy enrolled in college. Here she could not find the contentment one should have in their chosen profession. Miss Allen then left for New York, where she started her modeling career. She worked for two of the world's largest modeling studios.

One day, a famous named producer visited the studio in which Peggy was employed, looking for new talent for movies. After looking over a group of some 25 girls, he picked Peggy out and offered her a contract to work for him in the motion picture business. He claimed Miss Allen was a natural born actress and would be the talk of the nation. That is one reason, why today, Peggy is called the most beautiful girl in wrestling.

Miss Allen turned down many other offers for movie producers. They could not figure how one person as lovely as Peggy would let a great opportunity such as this go by. Today they know why. She loved the wrestling game and so Miss Allen became a sensation the first time she climbed through the ropes. The folks could not believe their eyes when "Miss Gorgeous" herself started to wrestle. Again, they thought she was an actress or someone to come out and model something for them, but after seeing Peggy dispose of her opponent with 15 minutes of an exciting match, everyone found out that a new star was born to the wrestling game.

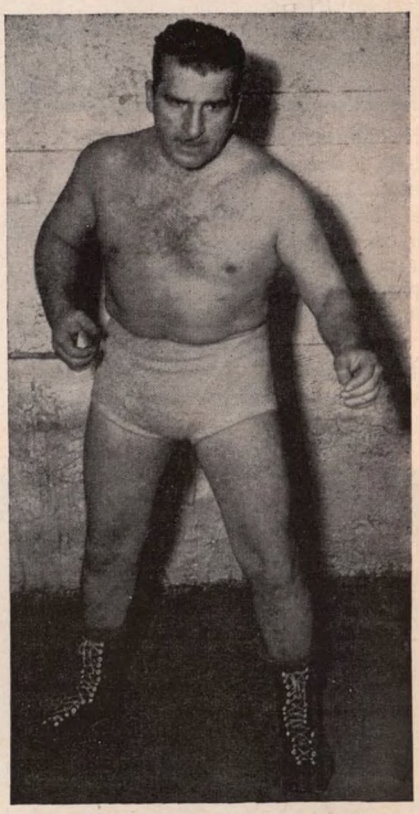
Miss Allen gives the leisure time she has to the one hobby she enjoys most of all, the art of designing. Peggy designs most of her wardrobe and also some of her jackets for the ring.

SHORT STORY ON GREAT SCOTT.

St. Andrews, Scotland boasts of two momentous events, according to the Great Scott, it was the birthplace of golf and the birthplace of the world's greatest wrestler!

Scott, himself, isn't too much interested in golf, but when it comes, to donning a pair of wrestling trunks for an old-fashion Pier 6 get-together, he's always ready to go regardless as to whom his opponent might be.

Another woman midget making good in the big time is Gypsy Rose 90 pounds and 43" of dynamite. She was born in San Diego and is one of the most travelled of all the women grapplers.



Duke Demetri is a 5 ft. 10 inch, 220 pounder from Chicago, Illinois who has been pleasing the fans for over ten years but recently has begun to catch on and is near to the big time. Photo by Bob Utter.

NEWS OF THE MAT WORLD

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When the swirling bagpipes play and the big blond matman moves down the aisle toward the ring in his colorful kilts and jacket there is no doubt that the Great Scott has taken over the spotlite.

Scotty actually believes that he can defeat any man in the mat profession today. He bases his conclusions on the fact that he is a scientific wrestler and that he is as tough as they come. His reputation is backed by the fact that he can stand toe-to-toe and out-slug any man in the cauliflower industry.

The Great One's past record points him as being one of the top contenders for Lou Thesz and the global belt which for the past six years has been worn by the latter.

The Scott possesses one of the finest frames in wrestling. Standing one-inch over the six foot mark and weighing 225-pounds, according to him there is only one bank in the world . . . the "Scotch Bank."

Scott has socked away many dollars during the past three years. His ambition is to become a wealthy champion. (Ask Thesz, Scotty.)

As for golf he loves the game and manages to shoot in the low 70's. He drives a big Cadillac and keeps himself in flashy kilts that never let the public forget that he is the Greatest Scott of them all.

GYPSY ROSE THE MIDGET PACKAGE OF T. N. T.

A Midget Girl Wrestler by the name of GYPSY ROSE, who is only 90 lbs. and stands 43 inches tall, can dispose of many girls that out-weigh this little package of T.N.T.

Born in San Diego, California, GYPSY has since then seen the 48 states, traveling from town to town with her parents until she decided to go out into the world on her own.

GYPSY enters the ring wearing a full Gypsy outfit, such as 6 large rings on her fingers and a real flashy robe—consisting of Sequins, Rhinestones, Pearls and a combination of 8 different colors all in one robe. GYPSY also brings along into the ring a small treasure chest in which she packs all of her jewelry before starting her match.

MISS T.N.T. said she is tired of telling people their fortune for little money, so she will guess her opponents next move in the ring and before they get time to apply a hold on her, she will have them on the mat—and claims she will come out the winner.

GYPSY's parents are normal people. Her mother is 5 ft. 6 in. and her dad is 6 ft. 2 in. and weighs 250 lbs. GYPSY has four older brothers and five sisters who are traveling along with her parents, reading palms and telling fortunes.

GYPSY loves wrestling a real rugged opponent. . . . *"If I get a fragile little darling, I just tear them apart so they better eat plenty of steaks before entering the ring with me because I'm real Rough Stuff,"* claims MISS GYPSY T.N.T. ROSE.

THESZ INJURED IN MATCH . . . BY BOB UTTER

Lou Thesz, who was scheduled to appear at the Indianapolis Armory was injured at Evansville, Ind., the evening before in a bout which sidelined the popular mat king for several weeks. Physicians sent Thesz to his home in St. Louis with the understanding that he would have to pass a stiff Indiana physical before being reinstated in the Hoosier state.

Wilbur Snyder, 240, Santa Monica, Calif., who was carded to face Thesz met and defeated Dick (Bruiser) Afflis, 245, Indianapolis, in two of three falls. Snyder won the first frame in 11 minutes with a grapevine but lost the second to Afflis in 14 minutes with a bear hug. Referee Connie Marker disqualified Afflis during the third session.

Tag match action saw Lou Plummer, 212, New York City, and Colonel Stu Gibson, 222, Louisville, Ky., grapple to a stalemate with Bobby Managoff, 232, Chicago, and Wild Bill Longson, 245, Salt Lake City, in the semi-windup.

Gibson pinned Longson in 20 minutes with a body slam and a press while Managoff flopped Gibson in 13 minutes with a press. The opening bout went to Sheik Araby, 230, over Ian Campell, 237, Scotland, in 11 minutes with a sleeper hold.

Action was held at the West 16th Street Speedway and the match was promoted by Dick Patton.

PROFILE ON DUKE DEMETRI . . . BY BOB UTTER

After watching Duke Demetri in action you can easily understand why he is one of the leading heavyweights throughout the Mid-West.

The Duke, a 5-foot 10-inch, 220-pounder, is 35-years old. His style is on the rough side because as he says, *"I ask no favors in the game therefore I give none."*

All-in-all Demetri has been in the pro end of the ear twisting fraternity for 10 years. He was born in Chicago, Ill., where he lives now and where he started in wrestling. He picked up the most of his wrestling while serving in the United States Navy.

Having met such topnotchers as Gene Stanlee, Ivan Rasputin, Bob DeMarce and Joe Scarpello, the Duke would eventually like a shot at the world's heavyweight belt. *"In another year I'll be ready for a title shot,"* smiled the good looking veteran.

Not having too many hobbies, Demetri goes for weights but lifts only to keep in condition.

In the eating department Duke goes in for chicken, shrimp, steaks and salads. His aim in life is not to make a fortune or to win a string of titles, but only to make a good living and maybe someday open up a business of his own.

THE WRESTLING WORLD . . . BY ED BRIGGS

Young Leo Garibaldi has made a successful return to West Coast wrestling rings after an absence of five years. The fast son of veteran Gino Garibaldi is looking better than ever and is meeting the best on the coast. . . . Enrique Torres and younger brother Al, are expected to show their wares in the New Mexico area for promoter Mike London. Enrique has held the famed Pacific Coast heavyweight title longer than any other titlest. . . . Sky High Lee, Dick Raines, Chief Little Wolf, Rocky Waldo, Lucky Simunovich and Ilio DiPaolo are wrestling in New Zealand and Australia, as is Sammy Berg. Negro star Waldo and DiPaolo are great favorites "Down Under."

Texas style "sudden death" tag team matches have made a hit with West Coast mat fans. Al Dermer, veteran promoter in Fresno (Calif.), has been staging the contests at the request of his many loyal fans and they have drawn big houses in return. Checking over our results records, which includes the majority of mat arenas in California, we see that no other California promoter has yet put on the Texas style bouts. That in itself, is a credit to Dermer, who is constantly searching for the new and different. A tip of the hat to genial Al. . . . "Etchings on Etchison," the official monthly club publication of the Ronnie Etchison Fan Club has arrived, chuck full of news of their favorite wrestler. . . . Art Michalik, 245 pound ex-Pittsburgh Steelers footballer, is back in California after a tour in Idaho. Art deserves better coast matches. . . . Look for bigger things from young Nickie Bockwinkle, college boy son of ex-St. Louis title challenger, Warren Bockwinkle. Young Nickie, like Leo Garibaldi, was tutored and schooled in the art of grappling by his father and is looking very well in the pro ranks. . . . Indian ace Chief Kit Fox, popular junior heavyweight, was seen in a recent TV showing of the ABC Television Network. . . . New midwest favorite is dropkick ace Thor Hagen. Thor, a young Los Angeles heavyweight, learned the tricks of the trade from Sandor Szabo, and teamed with Ronnie Etchison in several Kansas-Missouri bouts with success. . . . Antone (Ripper) Leone is resting at his

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TV and BOXING

By JOHNNY SALAK

Tommy Loughran, former world light heavyweight champion, handled the commentary on the Floyd Patterson-Tommy Jackson world heavyweight title bout on radio. Bout was also telecast over the NBC Network and blacked out in New York.

FIGHTING CAFETERIA STYLE

WE had often heard that the fighter famine, in part, had been caused by youngsters going into factories, where they could make more money. But this is the first time we saw it, Harold Gomes, Providence, R. I., featherweight, and Lulu Perez, one-time Brooklyn aspirant to the title, doing just that.

Only they went one better, their nationwide televised bout taking place in the steaming hot cafeteria of the jet aircraft parts factory.

The factory's ex-servicemen's club sponsored the bout and sold the tickets for $4 a head for a gate of about $6,400. The enthusiastic spectators were mostly employes of the factory and friends.

The ring was erected in the center of the cafeteria where lunch had been served earlier in the day. It was reliably reported that all the crumbs had been swept out and 1,600 in attendance were fine fellows.

The fighters, who were battling for more than coffee and cake money, were tossed around like a salad, having to dress in a clubroom, parade in robes through a kitchen (time for a quick snack) and cross a public hall to a public men's room to take showers after the fight.

The manager of the cafeteria, though not an ardent fight fan, became more interested in Gomes as the fight progressed, the Providence boy doing a neat job of slicing up Perez, with the referee finally halting the bout in the sixth round. Gomes can go back to work in the cafeteria any time he wants to.

Ben Kozman, the factory's activity director, said he had received queries from sources of other industrial plants asking how to go about sponsoring a televised fight.

This could start a trend. We don't know whether it will bring back mass production fights but with everyone keeping in practice by punching the clock certainly a few good fighters might be developed.

TV BOXING

MONDAY

ST. NICHOLAS ARENA, New York (DuMont TV Network), Chris Schenkel, Announcer.

WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS, emanating from various cities (ABC-TV Network), Jack Drees, Announcer.

THURSDAY

OLYMPIC AUDITORIUM, Los Angeles (KTLA-TV), Cal Whorton, Announcer.

FRIDAY

† CAVALCADE OF SPORTS, Madison Square Garden, New York, and other cities (NBC-TV Networks), Jimmy Powers, Announcer.

SATURDAY

LEGION STADIUM, Hollywood (KHJ-TV), Bob Kelly and Jim Healey, Announcers.

† Also heard over NBC Radio Network, Don Dunphy, Announcer.

LOUGHRAN KNOWS GAME

The independent promotion of the Floyd Patterson-Tommy Jackson world heavyweight title bout accomplished several good things. One of the nicer is that it brought Tommy Loughran, former world light heavyweight champion, back as the radio commentator for the fight. Tommy's presence, style and intimate knowledge of the game, have been too long absent from this phase of the sport, which we feel, at times, could be improved by presence, style and intimate knowledge.

Loughran at one time did the P.A.L. bouts over WFIL-TV in Philadelphia and before that had been connected with the "Meet the Champ" series over ABC-TV in 1952 which brought service titleholders in action to a nationwide television audience.

When the DuMont Television Network switched to the Monday night bouts at St. Nicholas Arena and ABC-TV took over the telecasts of boxing from the Eastern Parkway Arena in April 1954, Loughran stepped in to do the fights from the Brooklyn Arena, and did a splendid job until the promotions were discontinued.

With talk of weekly televised fights to once again come from the Eastern

Jack Drees, with the Wednesday Nights fights (ABC-TV) since 1953, recently signed a two-year contract to continue as ringside commentator of the televised fights which emanate from various arenas throughout the country.

Parkway Arena, we suggest that those directly concerned do themselves and the fans a favor and contact and contract Loughran.

Loughran won the light heavyweight title from Mike McTigue on October 7, 1927 and defended it six times before relinquishing the crown to fight as a heavyweight. He was unsuccessful in a bid to lift the heavyweight title from Primo Carnera, losing a fifteen rounds decision. Carnera, at 270, outweighed Loughran by 86 pounds that night.

DREES SIGNS CONTRACT

Jack Drees recently signed a contract for two years to continue as the announcer of the ABC-TV Wednesday night fights.

Drees took over for Russ Hodges on that program in 1953, when the latter left to do the telecasts of the New York Giants baseball games over WPIX (New York).

The 40-year old Chicago-born Drees was an outstanding basketball player in his college days and won All-Conference honors while attending the University of Iowa, 1934-1938.

Following his graduation, Drees went on to do baseball, college football, basketball and horse racing on radio in Chicago. He went into service as an Ensign (USNR) in 1942 and was assigned as a gunnery officer, Armed Guard Duty, which supplied Navy gun crews to merchant shipping. He served in all theatres of operations, with runs to South America, Europe, Africa, the Persian Gulf, Entiwetok, Peleliu Island and other islands in the Pacific. He was in service 33 months, 30 months of it being sea duty, and was discharged as a lieutenant.

Following the war, Drees returned to broadcasting and eventually entered the television field. Prior to his Wednesday Night experience with fights, he did the commentary on bouts telecast from the Rainbo Arena in Chicago (WBKB-TV).

IT PAYS TO HAVE A SPONSOR

TV-Radio money for the Floyd Patterson-Tommy Jackson world heavyweight title bout on Monday, July 29, at the Polo Grounds came to $200,000. With the agency commission of 15%, the payoff was on $170,000.

Three networks and four sponsors were in the bidding for the rights to the bout, with the NBC Network and General Motors, Buick Division, winning out in the end.

The fight, blacked out for a radius of 75 miles of New York, was carried by 200 stations on the coast-to-coast hook-up.

Only two fights in TV-Radio history seen on home TV went for more, the Rocky Marciano-Jersey Joe Walcott heavyweight title fight in Chicago in 1953 (at $300,000) and the Rocky Marciano-Joe Louis Madison Square Garden bout (at $225,000). The Patterson-Archie Moore fight for the vacant title last year in Chicago sold for $200,000.

The Ray Robinson-Carmen Basilio world middleweight title bout at the Polo Grounds in September goes to Theatre Network Television and while no guarantees are offered it is believed that the promotion, all conditions favorable, can cash in to the tune of $250,000 for the movie houses and drive-ins.

It will be the first sports event carried by TNT since the Archie-Moore-Rocky Marciano championship fight in 1955 and is TNT's 15th major fight telecast.

It is estimated that the Robinson-Basilio fight will set a new closed-circuit TV network record. A total of 375,000 seats will be available for the fight, exceeding the Marciano-Moore potential audience by some 25,000 seats.

The Marciano-Moore closed circuit telecast was seen at 133 locations in 93 cities.

And on the subject of money, the world light heavyweight title bout between champion Archie Moore and Tony Anthony scheduled for September 25 in Hollywood, was badly battered in the pocket book with Anthony's draw against Yvon Durelle. With hopes that the TV-radio money for the bout would come to between $100,000 and $125,000 the sad performance by Anthony against Durelle hammered the price down eventually to $70,000.

CHANNEL HOPPING. . . . NBC-TV did a repeat on the "This Is Your Life" of Jack Dempsey, but we still felt something was missing. . . . So did Jack Kearns.

Beau Jack who won the lightweight title in 1943 and whose fights grossed over a million and a half dollars in Madison Square Garden, but wound up broke, appeared on TV's Strike It Rich recently, with Philley middleweight Gil Turner pitching in the correct answers for him.

There is talk of the Rockland Palace in Harlem (New York) opening in the Fall with local TV. . . . Harry Wiley, of the Ray Robinson camp, doing the dickering.

Chris Schenkel, ringside commentator of fights from St. Nicholas Arena over the DuMont Television Network on Monday nights has a five minute program (at 11:10 p.m.), "Sports Final," Monday through Friday over WABC-TV. Marlboro Cigarettes are the sponsors.

This drama-packed scene shows Smuggler Reilly at his best-worst terrorizing a couple of cool characters in the television series Captain David Grief, produced by Guild Films in Cuba. Reilly, you may have guessed, is none other than former world heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano. Look mean, Rocky, and hands off hips!

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

By "G.I." JOE SMITH

CAMP Pendleton, Calif.—An outstanding Marine Corps boxing coach, a former fighter himself, has retired after more than 30 years of service.

The coach, CWO Earle J. (Joe) Karlage, began coaching this camp's boxing squad four years ago. He guided the team to victories in all but one regional tournament.

Before coming here, he coached the boxing squad at Camp Lejeune, N. C., and developed a team that won Naval District and Atlantic Fleet team titles twice, the North and South Carolina Golden Gloves, Mid-Atlantic All-Service and every team match from 1948 to 1951.

He began boxing as a featherweight in the twenties, and ran up a 244-6 record before hanging up his gloves in the late Thirties.

Fort Benning, Ga.—A Puerto Rican Golden Gloves boxing champion has been added to the long list of superb athletes serving at Fort Benning.

Pvt. Jesus Moret, Jr., 19, of (Calle 5 Sur 121) Guayama, Puerto Rico, assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company of the School Brigade, began boxing at smokers and similar affairs while he was still in high school. He won the South Puerto Rican Golden Gloves Championships in 1953 and 1954, but lost out in the semi-finals for the All-Puerto Rican Championship.

Moret joined the Army in February, 1956, taking his basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C. He had two bouts while at Jackson, winning one decision and one by a knockout.

Asked if he had aspirations of becoming another Jim Boyd, the great Olympic boxing champion of 1956, Moret said, "*Yes, Boyd is working with me now and is quite an inspiration. I believe that, with his help, I can go places.*"

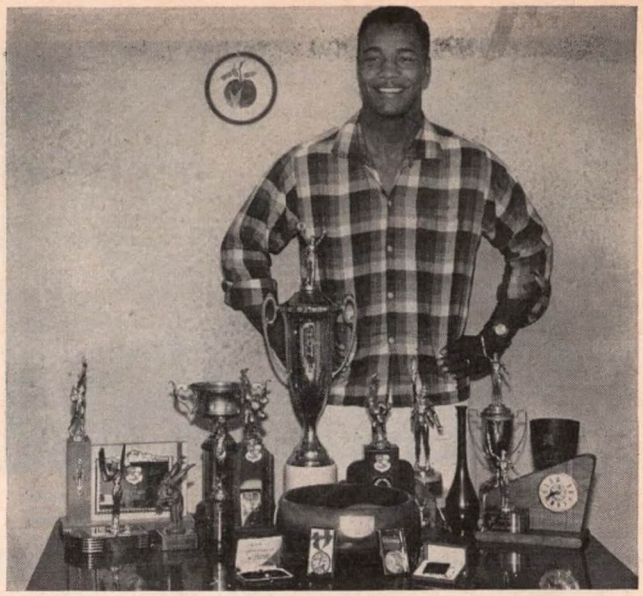
Sp^2 (Specialist Second Class) Boyd, also of Fort Benning, when questioned as to Moret's chances as a boxer, said, "*I think he is a very strong boy. He leads a clean life, likes to fight, and is dedicated to the boxing game. Consequently, he should do very well for himself. He is a good puncher and can take a punch well. I know this first hand because I've boxed with him a number of times.*"

"*During the forthcoming Smoker Bouts here at Fort Benning,*" Boyd continued, "*Moret is the man to watch. He has possibilities of becoming a champion. I'll work with him and iron out some of his weak points.*"

As for Moret, he said there is a definite possibility that he will turn professional when he completes his Army service and go to New York City.

HARRIS AND HIS "THIRD DEGREE"

Travis Air Force Base, Calif.—A better than average boxer and a judo expert combined makes Staff Sergeant George L. Harris, 25-year-old Combative Measures instructor at Strategic Air Commands Travis Air Force Base, California, a number one bet to be bypassed in the event of a fight. This lad is dynamite—he holds a "Third Degree" Black Belt, the highest judo award owned by any man in the Air Force.



Staff Sergeant George L. Harris, judo expert assigned to the Base Conditioning Unit at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. shown with a few of his awards, one of which is the National AAU Trophy.

This agile 210 pounder from Philadelphia, recently swept two Air Force Judo Tourneys along with the 1957 National AAU championship at Hickam AFB, Hawaii. Registering a total of 29 consecutive victories in his drive for the three titles, Harris has now set his sights for Rome and the 1960 world-wide championship.

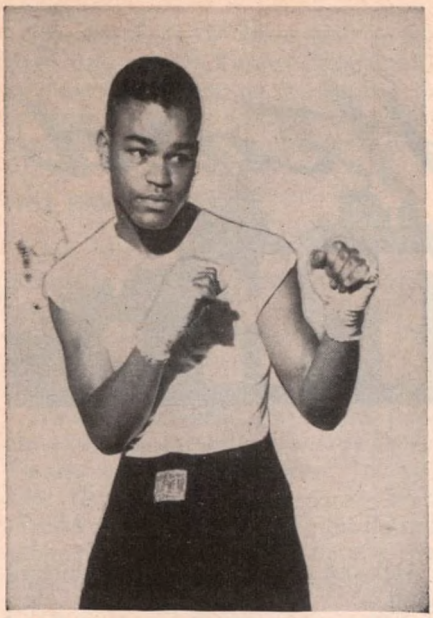
Upon entering the Air Force in February 1952 and completing his basic training, Harris was assigned to Brooks Medical Center in Texas. While at Brooks, he underwent medical training for a corpsman position with the Air Force and in July, was sent to the 4167th USAF Hospital at Travis. He considers his Travis assignment the "best thing" that could have happened to him for it was here he met the man who was to change his life.

During school days at Benjamin Franklin High in Philadelphia, Harris held the distinction of being a fair boxer and had hopes of turning professional until he met Mr. Walter Todd, a judo expert employed at the Travis Conditioning Unit as a self-defense instructor for B-36 crewmembers in the 5th Bomb Wing.

Working as a corpsman in the base hospital, Harris began visiting the Conditioning Unit on his off-duty time as a means of keeping in shape and passing time. After watching Harris work-out for about a week, Todd was so impressed with what he saw that he began to talk to the Philadelphia boy about judo.

Todd recalls that Harris was not very enthusiastic at first because he was still set on becoming a boxer. A short time after their first conversation Harris was convinced that he had all the basic qualifications of a matman. After learning this, his interest in judo began to grow, and a few months later the 210 pounder entered his first real competition. Since then, he has been defeated only 10 times, which is a record for the four years he has spent in judo.

As with all newcomers to the judo field, Harris was given a beginners White Belt. He kept this rating through the grueling first year of his career, and in 1953 was awarded the Third Degree Brown Belt. In December of the same year he moved up another notch to a Second Degree Brown.



Edgar Perkins, who is now doing his workouts for Uncle Sam and the 60th Inf. Regt. Heavy Mortor Co., Ft. Carson, Colo. He was a heralded pro.

Using his lunch hour and free time after duty, Harris worked and sweated to get ready for the 1954 promotional tourney in San Francisco. Though comparatively inexperienced to the other contestants, the soft-spoken airman easily won his First Degree Brown Belt, and about six months later he was again upgraded by the National California Judo Association, known as "Hokka Judo Yudan Shakia."

In his first major competition Harris battled his way to the 1955 Air Force championship, and then went on to cop the SAC heavy weight crown. Entering the Nationals for the first time, he gained fourth place in the unlimited division.

A tremendous honor was bestowed upon the now experienced judo expert in 1955, when he was named to a SAC-AAU mat team that covered the Far East on a "Good Will" tour. In September, just prior to the Japan tour, the Judo Association sent him notification of his promotion to a First Degree Black Belt, and one week later his Second Degree Black came from Judo Headquarters (Kodakon) in Japan.

Harris was phenomenal in his climb to the top of the judo ladder. As Todd put it, "Harris gained a knowledge of power—and the correct use of it—faster than the average American in Judo. There is no limit to what he will accomplish if he sticks with judo. He is strong, fast, well co-ordinated, and big, which adds up to making him a hard man to throw. If Harris makes the United States Judo Team in 1960, he will be a tough man to beat." A Fourth Degree Black Belt himself ranks Todd one step above his counterpart.

As proof of his talent in the manly art of self-defense, he has some 20 medals and trophies.

At present he possesses the highest judo award honor of any man in the Air Force—the Third Degree Black Belt—and he is still in his prime. To see this young sergeant in action is like watching a well oiled machine. He is smooth and quick, and like the sport he participates in, Harris can be as tame as a Sunday waltz or as deadly as a wounded lion. In exhibitions and practice, Harris is the soft-spoken gentlemanly type, but in actual competition, he is the aggressive "King of the Jungle."

Harris is married and has two daughters. His wife, Nilah, is just as interested in judo as he, and from the looks of things, his girls, Cherly, 18 months, and Valerie, 8 months, will be able to hold their own in a few more years.

Some of the favorite throws used by Staff Sergeant Harris are "Taiotoshi" (a body drop), "Right-Side Uchimata" (an inner thigh throw), and "Hanagoshi" (a spring hip throw).

Though concentrating on judo, Harris still carries a pretty fair jolt in his right hand—just two good reasons why this airman should be bypassed if you're looking for a fight.

POST SCRIPTS

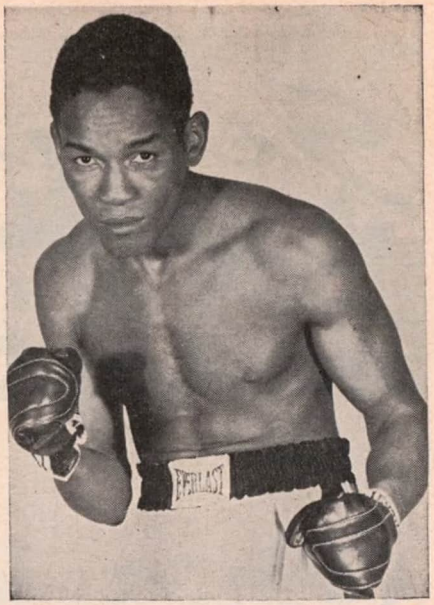
Rademacher Signs? . . . Big and burly Pete Rademacher, Olympic heavyweight champion discharged from the Army last April, has signed to fight Floyd Patterson for the heavyweight championship of the world. The fight is listed in the "highly doubtful" category. Rademacher has never earned a nickel with his fists, and the fight, if it should develop, would be the first time a world amateur champion has stepped directly into the pro ranks for a crack at the crown.

Since the reorganization of the "Screaming Eagles" less than a year ago, Ft. Campbell has packed its trophy case with cups representing Third Army championships in boxing and wrestling.

West Point loses an instructor and most of all a friend, in the recently passing of Tom Jenkins, 85, who taught wrestling to plebes named Eisenhower, Bradley and thousands of others in 30 years as an instructor at the Military Academy.

Battling Bill Johnson, FEAF's worldwide Air Force and Inter-Service light-heavyweight champion, has received a letter of congratulations from AF Chief of Staff, Gen. Nathan F. Twining.

Edgar Perkins is now serving with the U. S. Army, 60th Inf. Regt. Heavy Mortor Co., Ft. Carson, Colo. Perkins was formerly of New York and a featherweight boxer managed by George Ellin. Edgar is hoping to do some boxing while in the service, and train some of the boys.



DAMASA COLLAZO

In fight circles "a real pro" means a boxer with exceptional fistic talent. Damaso Collazo, of Havana, who's done most of his fighting in Cuba, is a real pro—a good wallop to augment him ring prowess.

Though Collazo is 27 and has been campaigning as a pro since 1946, he's by no means worn-out. The Cuban had but 38 fights in the money ranks, losing seven and boxing one draw—with Orlando Zulueta—in their homeland. Damaso has triumphed over such good ringmen—as Juan Villalba, Julian Varona, Eduardo Carrasco, Bonito Castillo, Basilio Garcia and Diego Sosa.

Around this area, the rangy lightweight trounced George Collins, Edgar Stover, Bobby Moore, Benny Meeks, Cortez Jackson; chilled Dave Rollins and James Watkins. He lost to Bobby Fenty—later reversing it—and Ludwig Lightburn in 1953.

The 5-foot-9 lightweight, hopes to reach the top of his division. He's managed by Eddie Walker.

SEEN & HEARD IN N. Y.

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▶ Starting slowly but picking up speed as the fight progressed, Frank Ippolito, 139, Bronx, slugged his way to a technical kayo over Tommy Salem, 136, Cleveland, at 1:37 of the sixth at St. Nicholas Arena. Referee Petey Della halted the affair with Salem still on his feet but helpless against Ippolito's savage punching. The shiftier boxer, Salem had the better of the early going, but gradually wilted before the two-fisted blasting of the rugged Bronxite. By the fifth round Ippolito was belting the Clevelander almost at will. Near the end of the round Salem hit the canvas from a lusty right to the chin. He stumbled up at eight and dove into a clinch as the bell rang. Tommy was still unsteady when he came out for the sixth, and Ippolito lost little time finishing him. A right-left combination to the jaw sent Salem crashing to the canvas again. Groggily he pulled himself to his feet at eight and reeled back into the ropes as Ippolito swarmed all over him, banging away with both hands. At this point Della decided enough was sufficient.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

ANOTHER historic landmark will vanish shortly from the fight scene. The 85-year-old White Sulphur Springs Hotel, on the southern end of picturesque Saratoga Lake, is to be torn down to make room for straightening and widening highway route 9P, which winds around its front porch.

In the foothills of the Adirondacks, about thirty miles north of Albany, half-way between Mechanicville and Saratoga Springs, the resort hotel was a popular training spot for fighters during the 1910s and '20s. It was owned by Tom Luther. "Uncle Tom," as the fight crowd called him, bought it in 1888.

We don't recall the first prominent ringman to use the place for a conditioning headquarters, but during the pre-World I era we remember Frank Moran prepping there for several fights. Jack Britton also did a stint or two at Luther's. Later, Jack Dempsey, Luis Angel Firpo, Gene Tunney and Jim Braddock added to the hotel's history and tradition.

It was while training there for his riotous brawl with Firpo at the Polo Grounds in 1923 that Dempsey met up with a young, brash newspaper writer named Paul Gallico. Paul had just taken over as sports editor and columnist of the *Daily News*. Although his only previous personal contact with the physical end of athletics had been as a member of the Columbia University rowing crew, Paul considered himself something of an all-around Jim Thorpe. He was a big guy, standing an inch or two above six feet and scaling in the neighborhood of a well-proportioned 200 pounds.

Gallico thought it would make an unusual feature for his column if he sparred one round with Dempsey and reported his reactions to a session with the world heavyweight champion.

MANSLAUGHTER AVERTED

Gallico popped the idea to Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager. Jack was dubious. He appreciated the publicity value of the story, but was fearful that Dempsey, as savage in training as he was in a fight would convert Paul's proposed sports column into a more somber news item for the obituary page. "Don't worry about that," Gallico insisted. "I can take care of myself. I know how to box." Kearns reluctantly consented to allow the daring young man to don the mittens with Dempsey.

Meanwhile, two noted New York sports cartoonists, Tad Dorgan of the *Journal* and Bob Ripley of the *Globe*, were practically arranging for Gallico's manslaughter. Knowing Dempsey had never seen Paul personally, they did a good job of steaming up Manassa Jack. "We hear you're breaking in a new sparring partner this afternoon," they said. "Better be careful. This guy is terrific—big, strong and a murderous puncher. He's out to make a name for himself by flattening the champ."

"Oh, yeah!" grunted Dempsey. "We'll see about that."

Fortunately for Gallico's physical well-being and the future of the literary world, Kearns heard of the Dorgan-Ripley plot. He explained the situation to Dempsey. The champion promised to "go easy" with Gallico. He did, but couldn't resist the temptation to dig an occasional jolt into Paul's mid-section. Aside from releasing a few spontaneous and inelegant grunts and groans as Dempsey's fists sunk into various vulnerable parts of his anatomy, Gallico survived the three minutes without any noticeable ill effects, and the brief workout did make for a highly entertaining column in the *Daily News*.

THE SHAKESPEAREAN SCHOLAR

It was at Luther's that Tunney trained for his 1925 match with Tom Gibbons at the Polo Grounds—the bout which lead to his title-winning affair with Dempsey in Philadelphia the following year.

We were with Tunney for that five-weeks' siege at Saratoga Lake, and seldom have we encountered any fighter as deadly serious in his training as was Gene.

We recall Luther asking him what he planned to charge for admission to his public workouts.

"Nothing," Gene replied.

Uncle Tom seemed surprised.

"I mean it," explained Tunney. "When the public pays to see a workout, it expects a show. I'm not giving any. I am here to get into condition for an important fight. I'll do a lot of experimenting and practicing. At times I'll probably look bad. Anybody who feels like dropping in for a workout will be welcomed, but he won't get any sensational boxing or knockout punching. If he doesn't like what he sees, he can leave without complaining that he was gypped."

Tunney's main relaxation was reading. Gene didn't go in for cheap dime-novel trash. He preferred the more serious, cultured writings, although he hadn't as yet progressed to the classics.

One day a gang of about ten New York newspapermen drove into camp to see that afternoon's workout. "Where's Tunney?" asked Stan Lomax, then with the Bronx Home News.

We pointed to a cliff across the road from the hoted. "He's up there," we said, "nestling in the cool shade of the trees and reading a book."

"A prizefighter reading a book?" Lomax grunted. "What's he reading?"

"What," we retorted, "would you expect a prizefighter to read? Shakespeare, naturally."

It's remarkable at times what a flippant remark can produce. Tunney came in for so much good-natured joshing on the Bard of Avon that he began to take it seriously and actually made something of a Shakespearean scholar of himself.

TWO SIDES OF TUNNEY

One reason Tunney never was too popular, personally, with the sports scribes was that he wouldn't be "natural" with them. In press interviews he made himself sound like a pompous corporation lawyer rather than a guy from the Sidewalks of New York.

It's a commendable trait for one to try to improve himself, mentally as well as physically, but Tunney overdid the process. His attitude toward the press was so obviously artificial and affected that it encouraged ridicule rather than admiration. It was unfortunate, too, since Gene, when himself, could be a most likeable personality.

We had ample opportunity, during that stretch at Saratoga Lake, to see both sides of Tunney. Entertaining neighborhood pals from Greenwich Village one day, Gene was a genial host, completely relaxed and at ease, swapping yarns in the same language as his guests.

A day or two later a delegation of sports writers dropped in for a workout. It had rained during the night and the ring canvas was damp and slippery. Sparring with Bud Gorman, Tunney skidded. Gene stopped boxing and strutted to the ropes. "Gentlemen," he solemnly addressed the assembled scribes, "the footing in this ring is atrocious."

If we recall rightly, Braddock was the last important fighter to train at Luther's. Jim prepped there for his futile effort to wrest the light-heavyweight title from Tommy Loughran at the Yankee Stadium in 1929.

The long hours and excitement of operating a training camp were becoming too much of a strain for Uncle Tom, and he decided to limit the hotel's schedule from then on to its original purpose, a vacation resort. Luther died in 1937, leaving the property to his son and daughter. That was the last we had heard of the place until the recent dispatch about the hotel being razed to permit improvements in the adjacent highway.

FEATHERWEIGHT DOINGS

There is little likelihood of Americans getting another peek at Hogan Bassey this year. Enjoying a much-needed rest after the rugged campaign which carried him to the vacant world featherweight title, the little Nigerian plans only one none-title appearance in England before 1957 runs its allotted course. He has promised to box for British promoter Reg King in Nottingham early in October. King was one of the unsuccessful bidders for the Bassey-Cheriff Hamia title affair, which went to Paris, and Hogan's appreciative manager feels Reg is entitled to the Nigerian's first showing as champion.

By then the rainy season will be over in the African tropics and Bassey plans to take his wife and Hogan, Jr., to Nigeria for a month's visit with his mother, brothers and sister, whom they've never met. It's been three years since Bassey last visited his homeland, and he'll be going back as a national hero. His feat in becoming the first native ever to win a world boxing title was a terrific thing in Nigeria, and the young man will be in for a hectic time trying to keep pace with the lively schedule the local big-wigs are certain to arrange for him.

Meanwhile, to help keep the international flavor alive in the active featherweight doings here, Jean Sneyers, the Belgian veteran, is planning to invade the United States in September. Sneyers, who lost twice to Bassey in England but won from him in Belgium, has held three European titles—flyweight, bantamweight and featherweight—and in a busy career starting in 1948 has compiled an impressive overall record of 59 wins and 5 draws against 11 defeats in 75 outings. Sneyers was one of the three featherweights (Miguel Berrios and Flash Elodre were the others) named by the World Championship Committee as outstanding challengers of the Bassey-Hamia winner.

"This bout is staged under the supervision of the Honkytonk Boxing Commission, Jake Marcus chairman. . . . The attending physician is Dr. Irving Marcus. . . . The judges are Al Marcus and Rube Marcus. . . . Counting for the knockdowns, Louis Marcus. . . . Referee, Nat Marcus . . . . Let's go, and may the better man win."

THESE AND THOSE

Note from the veteran Doc Avery of Boston:

"Thought you'd like to know that after more than a year's treatment, following a heart attack, my doctor has approved of my getting back into action, although he advises a much-slower pace than I used to set. I want you to know how much I appreciated that note in your column about my illness a year ago. It brought me many letters and cards of encouragement from boxing fans, writers, managers and fighters, and helped to cheer me while I was flat on my back—a tough situation for one who had been so active. I am returning now to boxing, as well as the field of theatrical bookings, and expect to appear weekly on a 15-minute sports program at one of the local radio stations."

Ex-champions Paul Berlenbach, light-heavyweight, and Corporal Izzy Schwartz, flyweight, will be guests of honor at the fourth annual dinner-dance of the Veteran Boxers Association of New York (Ring 8) scheduled for October 12 at the Sheraton-Astor Hotel.

Phil Young, taking over the management of Billy Lynch, has brought the up-and-coming Hartford welterweight to New York and will have him train at Stillman's gym. Phil is so positive Lynch is ready for the Big Time, he has offered to take the percentage at St. Nicholas Arena and guarantee Sugar Hart $4,000 to meet the Nutmeg Stater.

THE month's results:
Supposedly one of Europe's top lightweights, Felix Chiocca; 142, France, continued his disappointing American campaign by blowing a split decision to young Tony DeCola, 146, Brooklyn, in an uneventful ten at St. Nicholas Arena. The defeat gave Chiocca a 0-2 score for the first two outings of his current visit. The Frenchman had previously been outpointed by another youngster, Carlos Ortiz, in Chicago. Substituting for Jimmy Archer, who pulled out of the match three days before because of a training injury,

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

THOUGH lightweight Luke Easter, 136, of San Francisco was the betting favorite (2 to 1) against invaded El Conscripto, 141, from Mexico, most observers expected the battle to go the full ten rounds. But Easter had his fast combinations working well, and Conscripto lost on fifth round TKO in the main event at the Auditorium in Richmond.

Promoter Jimmy Cosenza reported $2,711 gross receipts.

This was the 111th fight for veteran Conscripto and in the fourth Luke had his foe on the floor with a volley of head punches.

Referee Frankie Carter halted proceedings at 2:24 of the fifth when the Mexican received a deep cut above his left eye.

The supporting bouts were all slated for six. Hank Casey, 157, decisioned Walter Tyler, 158. Sixto Rodriquez, 170, outpunched Ted Martin, 171, to take the verdict. Mel Ferguson, 149, stopped Nate Spellman, 145, in the fourth. Spellman received an eye cut.

▶ Another hundred-percenter fell by the wayside at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A., when chunky Fugie Rodriguez, 131, chopped out the unanimous 10-round verdict over Leo Agbulos, 133, Stockton Filipino, in a hard-fought, blistering battle.

Agbulos had won 16 in a row, eleven by knockout, prior to his meeting with the Angeleno. The Filipino had the edge up to the 8th round, but it was all Rodriguez in the last three heats.

Referee Charlie Randolph scored it 97-92; Judge Dick Young, 98-90, and Judge Jimmy Wallace, 96-91.

Willie Lucero, 127, outpunched Chucho Mejia, 131½, in the six-round semi. Lucero is now managed by popular Dr. Al Stolper, the gentlemanly optometrist from whom I get my glasses like most everybody in the boxing business.

The fours: Leon Mitchell, 140, TKO (3) over Mandy Moya, 139½; Baby Canto Robledo, 142½, drew with Jim Mitchell, 141.

▶ The vacant California middleweight championship is vacant no longer: Neal Rivers, 159, shuffled his way to a one-sided win over Oakland Bobby Jones at Hollywood Legion Stadium, but he didn't fatten his prestige by the victory. A fair-sized crowd paid a gross of $3,855 to see the bloodless battle.

Jones was a last-minute substitute for Ramon Fuentes, who mysteriously disappeared and was later announced to have "kidney trouble".

Referee Charlie Randolph scored it 115-113 (twelve rounds); Judge Reg Gillmore, 119-110, and Judge Russ Bradford, somewhat confused in his scoring, finally turned in a card of 117-112.

Frankie Belma, 147½, nailed Henry Johnson, 142½, with a savage left to the tummy in Round 3 of the scheduled six. Johnson went to the showers.

The fours: Benny Doyle, 166½, decisioned Bobby Sand, 165½; Baby Miranda, 120, triumphed over Joe Nobleza, 122, and Andy Solis, 138, duked Danny Dugan, 137½.

▶ The Old Maestro of Maul, Jack Kearns, was in L. A. for a few days, prior to his departure for Portland, where his ex-champ, Joe Maxim, was slated to meet Bobo Olson, another ex. I had a fine visit with Doc, with whom I was associated for several years about a quarter of a century ago.

During the course of our "Do you remembers?" I asked John Leo how old he was. He looked up, suspiciously, and said:

"Why do you ask?"

"Well, Jack," I replied, "you've been 67 for the past eight years, and I was wondering when you were going to graduate."

'All right," he said, "I'm 68 now."

"Just between us girls, Jack," I grinned, 'remember the night in San Francisco, at Jim Griffin's oasis, when you confided to me that you were born in 1882?"

"Aw, I was probably drinking at the time," Kearns replied.

"Yeah, but in vino veritas," quoth I, showing off my erudition. "That means that when the wine is in, the truth comes out."

Anyway, in August, this year, John Leo McKernan celebrated his 75th anniversary, and may he celebrate many more.

Managers may come and managers may go, but there will never be another Kearns. It was Jack, and nobody else, who ushered in the era of the million-dollar gate.

▶ There's a drive afoot to have the State Athletic Commission license two referees of Mexican blood—Eddie Marcus and Joey Olmos. Both are good friends; both are well-versed in boxing, and their addition to the roster of ring officials would be hailed and approved by many thousands.

High time, too. Do you know that of the sixteen Fight for Lives shows which have been held in Los Angeles since 1942, no less than sixteen scrappers of Aztec ancestry have appeared in the main events?

In recent weeks, Pajarito Moreno vs Jose Luis Cotero grossed over $86,000; Raton Macias vs Dommy Ursua, over $82,000; and Kid Anahuac vs Ike Chestnut, over $33,000. Mostly from Mexican fans!

▶ Pressed into service on short notice, George Berry, 139½, came through with flying colors and annexed the unanimous verdict over Steve Tony, 145, Philippines, at the Olympic Auditorium.

Mort Moss of the EXAMINER put it this way: "Berry was dug out of a corner in the attic and dusted off so that he could meet Steve Tony." Well, all I can say, it was a good dusting job. Because Berry, despite a "vacation" of 24 months, proceeded to do some dusting on his own; he dusted off the Filipino.

Berry, father of four, was an amateur champ in his home town of Gary (Ind.) before settling in the City of the Angeles. (There's a few devils here, too.)

Referee Lee Grossman tabbed Berry, 98-94; Judge Frankie Van saw it 99-92, and Judge George Latka, 97-94.

Reuben Wilson, 196½, came from far behind to battle a draw with Tommy Fields, 195, in the six-round semi. It was a split verdict. The fours: Tony Rios, 122, dec. Nick Sanders, 120; Chief Tahbone, 160, dec. Crawford Neal, 158, and Tommy Johnson, 172½, dec. Willie Jackson, 179½.

▶ L. C. Morgan, 140, 22-year old from Youngstown, (the initials stand for "Langston Carl") came through with a sharp upset win over Don Jordan, 139, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. It was a fine debut for the Buckeye battler; he entered the ring a 2½-1 underdog.

Morgan built up a solid lead in the first five rounds, nailing Jordan practically at will. In the sixth, Don staged a desperate rally, dropped Morgan for an 8-count knockdown with a wild swing. Though he tired in the closing rounds, Morgan had amassed such a big early lead that he was able to coast home in front.

The verdict was unanimous: Referee Tommy Hart, 95-93; Judge Mushy Callahan, 96-93, and Judge Frankie Van, 96-95.

In the six-round semi, Willard "Battling" Nelson, 137, got up from a first-round knockdown to swarm to a unanimous duke over Joey Smyers, 139. It was Nelson's 38th straight win. The fours: Joey Armstrong, 134½, dec. Baby Canto Robledo, 141; Joe White, 146, drew with Eddie Gilbert, 148; and Jeff Jones, 159½, dec. Marshall Perryman, 162, in the opener.

▶ Jerry Mullany reports—The name of Johnny Bassanelli has appeared often in these dispatches. This is in connection with his activity as a well-known and capable referee, usually in the Sacramento area.

So it is a sorrowful procedure to mention Johnny for what may be the last time. The popular Bassanelli died in Sacramento of a heart attack.

Southpaw boxers in the same ring with Johnny may have baffled their opponents, but Referee Bassanelli could easily follow their maneuvers. For he was a busy southpaw welterweight in the San Francisco Bay area in the early 1930s.

▶ From Jerry Mullany also this—Fellow Mexicans, admirers of Raul "Raton" Macias, NBA tantam champion, are in the habit of preparing elaborate victory celebrations on the assumption that he is a sure winner. This procedure proved a real jinx to Raul 2 years ago in Los Angeles, when Billy Peacock knocked him out and broke his jaw.

A stunned Cow Palace audience in San Francisco thought history was repeating itself when Dommy Ursua put Macias on the deck in the first round of their title encounter. Macias got up at seven, and though wobbly, managed to last out the round. He then went on to take the offensive away from the Filipino challenger, and knocked out Ursua in the eleventh round.

The little warriors broke all California records for a bantamweight fight. The battle grossed $82,119 from a gate of 12,224, co-promoter Benny Ford announced. Associated promoters were Jim Pusateri and Abe Acquistapace.

Macias received $28,143—his Filipino opponent salved his battered features with a $10,553 purse.

In the 11th, a hefty right to the jaw by Macias spun the Filipino around. This was followed by a rain of punches which had Ursua reeling and bleeding. Just when it looked as if another onslaught would put Dommy on his back, Referee Jack Downey halted proceedings. Time: 2:02 of the 11th.

▶ Speaking of Billy Peacock—as Jerry Mullaney was in his report of the Raton Macias-Dommy Ursua scrap in San Francisco—he is now managed by that nationally-known, nationally-liked and nationally-respected gent, my lifelong friend, Suey Welch.

Suey, highly successful in his business career since he left boxing a number of years ago, returned to his first love to take over the managment of big Charley Powell, the sensational all-around athlete. Powell made an impressive start, then ran into tough luck and for a while quit the ring. But he's back in training again. You'll be hearing about the 6-3, 215-pound footballer again soon.

When Joe Stanley, Peacock's manager, committed suicide a few weeks ago, there was much speculation hereabouts: "Who'll manage Peacock?"

Billy made the decision, himself. He picked Suey Welch, and a wise choice it was.

Old-timers will remember Suey as the manager of Gorilla Jones, former middleweight champ; Kayo Christner, the aged Akron heavy who made a lot of dough, and held onto it; Gus Lesnevich, in partnership with Joe Vella; George Manley, the Denverite who beat Maxie Rosenbloom when Maxie was good; Al Manfredo, Tommy Hart (now one of California's best ring officials), Hank Hankinson, Charlie Killer Coates and—well, like they say in the book—and others too numerous to mention.

▶ Officer, he's in again!—Boxer Dick Goldstein, the character whose testimony was responsible for Art Aragon's five year prison sentence, made page one. This time he was kidnaped, beaten and robbed of $2,000, according to police reports.

Like many others, I think Aragon got a rotten deal, and I hope he lands that new trial his lawyers are fighting for.

▶ Ruben Vargas, fast punching Richmond heavyweight, scored a fifth round technical knockout over Edgardo Romero, 252, of San Francisco. Their swatfest was the headliner at Richmond's Auditorium in a program promoted by Jimmy Cosenza. Weights: Vargas, 188; Romero, 252.

The gross gate was $2,108, paid by 1,331 customers.

When Referee Johnny Lotsey halted proceedings after Vargas had inflicted a deep gash over Romero's left eye, it was the first time that the giant from Argentina failed to go the route.

The triumph was Vargas' 12th against three losses.

Bobby Gray, 127, outpointed Dom Sacco, 129, in six.

Outcomes of fours: Freddie Real, 153, dec. Don Edmunds, 152; Doug Garrett, 148, outpointed Robert Williams, 149; Willie Woods, 126, drew with Ronnie Perez, 124.

▶ The 16th annual Fight for Lives was another howling success—and I do mean "howling."

Ike Chestnut, New York, 127½, 10-6 underdog, despite the fact that Nat Fleischer rated him No. 5 and his opponent, Kid Anahuac, No. 10, scored a clean kayo in 2:20, Round 8, at the Olympic Auditorium. It was the blackout bout of the program.

A crowd of 8,450 fans paid $33,216 to see the scrap. They got their money's worth from the standpoint of action and excitement, though the majority of the fans, predominantly of Mexican ancestry, were sadly disappointed with the outcome.

It was a slam-bang, give-and-take affair as far as it had gone; Referee Tommy Hart had it even-Stephen at the end of the 7th. Near the end of Round 8, Chestnut nailed the

shaggy-haired Mexican with a hard right under the heart. Anahuac went down, dropped on one knee, and seemed to be fully conscious as Referee Hart went into his count. It seemed a certainty that he'd be up and around before the fatal "ten" was told. It wasn't. He stayed down, to the intense disgust of the Latin rooters.

It was Chestnut's third fight hereabouts, his third—and most important—victory. Previously he decisioned Lauro Salas and Tommy **Bain.**

There's a possibility of a rematch; the fight was that close, prior to the fatal wallop.

Al Wilcher, 118½, knocked out Rudy Cisneros, 114, in the 3rd round of a scheduled ten; this one was televised. The TV fans wanted their money back, it was so one-sided.

In the prelims: Little Firpo, 138½, defeated Jimmy Feaster, 135, in the six-round semi. The fours: Steve Limon, 131, dec. Ray Copeland, 133; Jimmy Mitchell, 141, dec. Red Emory, 140, and Eddie Gilbert, 150, duked Freeman Dailey, 148.

▶Neal Rivers, trailing on points, and with his California middleweight crown at stake, suddenly came to life in the 9th round and scored a TKO over Sal Flores, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Rivers, 159; Flores, 160. It was Flores' first fight in nine months.

It was a belated vengeance for Rivers. Back in 1954, when Neal was struggling for recognition, he was knocked out by Flores at South Gate Arena, in the 5th. Since then, Neal has come a long way.

At the end of the 8th, Flores had a slight lead on points, thanks to an effective left hook.

Manager Norm Lockwood must have given Rivers a sharp pep talk between rounds, because Neal rushed out of his corner for the 9th, apparently intent on mayhem. A left jab set up Flores; it was followed by a hard right cross, and down went Sal. He wasn't frivolous after that. He took an 8-count.

Another punch, this time a left hook, dropped Flores for nine, and it was obvious that Sal was finished. Anyway, Referee Lee Grossman thought so, and the referee has the final word in such cases.

This was Neal's first defense of the title since he annexed it by beating Oakland Bobby Jones a couple of weeks earlier in the same ring.

In the six-round semi, DeWitt Lewis, 147, won the unanimous verdict over Fernando LaDoll, 148. The fours: Sammy Seals, 165, drew with Orlando DiPietro, 165; Kenny Morris, 127, dec. Ray Avalos, 128½, and Willie Johnson, 136, dec. Joe Kearns, 136.

▶Ike Chestnut pocketed a check for $7,500 as his end of the $33,216 gross gate drawn by the 1957 Fight for Lives. His opponent, Kid Anahuac, got $7,045. The Sportsmen's Club of the City of Hope, which sponsors this event annually, got $5,538 as its share of the gate, but grossed over $105,000 from the sale of raffle tickets for the Cadillac and Thunderbird.

Everybody was happy, except Kid Anahuac and the guys who had bet on him. And with seven G's in your pocket, you don't stay unhappy long.

Anyway, there's a good chance of a rematch.

Jerry Mullany reports: Though Howard King, veteran Reno battler, loses occasionally, most San Francisco observers predicted that he would be a tough fistic morsel for Pat McMurtry, the Northwest's leading contender. And young Pat did have a rough ten rounds with King in their contest at the Civic Auditorium in San Francisco. But he paced himself nicely and decisioned the ringwise Nevadan. Weights: McMurtry, 187; King, 192.

The gross gate of $5,750 was paid by 1,278 ticket buyers.

Consensus of the point scoring in favor of the Tacoma Irishman was 97-94.

Though there were no knockdowns, King took a heavy lacing in the first round. In the second it was all McMurtry, and many expected an early ending. But this was the last big round for Pat. All the other sessions were close.

It was anybody's fight as the tenth opened, but the youngster wrapped up the verdict with a fast finish. Frankie Carter refereed.

Sal Perea, 161, San Francisco, won every round to take the six-round semi from Candy McGilmore, 158, Oakland.

Sammy Taylor, 141, Reno, took a heavy assortment of blows from Joe Boy Charles, 139, Berkeley, but Taylor's right hand haymakers even-upped the score. Verdict was a draw.

The fours: Julian Valdez, 143, dec. Johnny Milton, 152; Billy Thomas, 137, outpointed Larry Sanchez, 138.

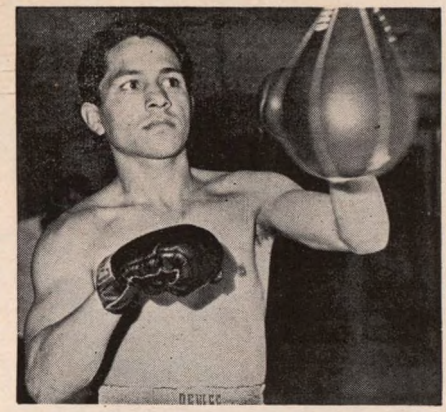
▶MULLANY REPORTS: Aggressive Mickey Northrup kept crowding, and Leo Alonzo counterpunched accurately for ten rounds at the Civic Auditorium in Oakland. The verdict—Referee Jack Downey, 97-94; Judge Frankie Carter, 99-92; Judge Eddie James, 100-93. All cards favored Alonzo, Filipino topnotcher making his headquarters in Stockton. Northrup is from Los Angeles. Weights: Alonzo, 135; Northrup, 134.

Jimmy Dundee promoted the program, to which 2,000 fans paid $4,000 gross. A portion of the receipts went to the City of Hope "Fight For Lives" fund.

Alonzo suffered a half inch cut across his right eyebrow in the second. For a short time thereafter it looked as if the fast punching Northrup would add some more wounds, but by the sixth Alonzo was outscoring Mickey in most of the exchanges.

Alonzo's best round was the ninth, when he staggered Northrup with a heavy volley.

Preliminaries: Mel Ferguson, 148, Los Angeles, dec. Floyd Sampson, 148, Reno, six; Dom Sacco, 132, Oakland, outpointed Davey Lee, 134, Reno, six; Charley Collins, 165, dec. Otis Tugwell, 171, four; Al Moore, 138, outpointed Dick Turpin, 146.



Cisco Andrade, Compton, Calif. lightweight, once ranked second in the division and sidelined recently following an operation for elbow chips, returned to the ring by scoring a one-sided decision over Billy Evans at Las Vegas.

▶FROM JERRY MULLANY: "I have never seen Joey Lopes fight, but I understand he is a very good boxer," said Algerian lightweight Hoacine Khalfi before he tangled with Joey at the Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento. Khalfi is likely to retain this respect for Lopes' prowess, for the Sacramento home town idol knocked out Hoacine in the fourth round of a scheduled ten. Weights: Lopes, 134; Khalfi, 137.

The card, promoted by Fred Pearl and Jackie King, grossed $3,288.

Lopes' admirers are still puzzled by his variation in form. In a number of national TV battles Joey boxed only moderately well, and lost quite often. In Sacramento, against good opponents, he becomes a raging tiger. Other internationally known battlers who received heavy batterings by Lopes were Sandy Saddler and Percy Bassett. He also TKO'd potent Kid Centella.

Before this match, Khalfi was ranked No. 4 among European lightweights.

Teddy Martin, 167, Sacramento, and Joe Brewer, 161, Fresno, went to a draw in six rounds.

Preliminaries: Jimmy Mackey, 142, TKO'd Willie King, 146, in 2; John Guerrero, 139, dec. John Santos, 141, in 4; Fred Roberts, 135, stopped Al Carroll, 133, in 1.

▶FROM JERRY MULLANY: It was the Fight of the Year in San Jose, and a fateful milestone in the career of Eddie Chavez, the city's all time best boxer, and once second ranking lightweight in the world. Facing him was Willie Morton, current San Jose favorite since Chavez has been considering retirement. Young Willie, aged 21, outclassed "veteran" Eddie, aged 26, and knocked him out in the eighth round.

They clashed at San Jose's Civic Auditorium. Each scaled 138.

Chavez was reportedly lured back to the active fistic battleground by a guarantee in excess of $3,500. A gathering of 2,500 paid $8,322 gross.

Morton, winning his tenth straight as a pro, kept Chavez on the run and floored him twice, once in the sixth and again in the eighth. Chavez had kept clear of his old jinx, deep eye cuts, and was unmarked as his handlers refused to let him come out for the ninth session.

Most spectators were keen admirers of both Morton and Chavez, so the cheering was only nominal when Referee Vern Bybee raised Willie's hand.

The scorecard consensus at the end of the eighth favored Morton, 80 to 70.

Willie Stevens, 165, Reno, KO'd Willard Henry, 160, Los Angeles, in the second. They were slated for six.

Henry Berrera, 133, S. F., dec. Ray Thomas, Vallejo, in 6.

Four rounders: Max Telles, 127, dec. Ricky Zamacona, 132; George Santiago, 142, outpointed Jimmy Duval, 138.

▶Up from Acapulco came Nacho Escalante, 117, to score a 10th round knockout over Ross Padilla, 118, Philippines, at the Olympic Auditorium, after one of the most exciting brawls of the year.

Dropped for a count of three in the fifth, the fighting Filipino came roaring back with a two-fisted attack that had him ahead on every scorecard at the beginning of the 10th. Had he managed to remain upright in that final heat, he would undoubtedly have won the decision.

But he didn't. Near the end of the 10th, Escalante nailed the Filipino with a left, followed by a right. Padilla was stunned and the hard-hitting Aztec took advantage of the situation, moved in determinedly, nailed the Little Brown Brother with a right hand, and down went Padilla for the full count.

It's a natural for a rematch.

In the semi-final, popular Jimmy Lassiter, 135, outpunched Willie Johnson, 137, to score the unanimous verdict in a six-rounder. The fours: Henry Williams, 160, stopped Chief Tabone, 157, in the 3rd round; Caesar Sanchez, 116½, dec. Nick Sanders, 118, and Lupe Estrada, 170, dec. Thomas Johnson, 171.

▶There was a sharp upset at Hollywood Legion Stadium when Pete Kawula, 130, a 2½-1 underdog, scored a split decision over former world lightweight champ Lauro Salas, 130. Some 2,700 fans paid a gross of $3,981 to see the Lion of Monterrey tamed.

Salas, not fighting one of his best scraps, dropped Kawula in the 4th for a count of four. But he got up and came back fighting. Salas, on the other hand, seemed lackadaisical.

Referee Mushy Callahan voted for Kawula, 94-93; Judge Dynamite Jackson saw it the same way, 94-92, whereas Charley Randolph scored it 95-95. Boots Monroe, 122½, stopped Tony Rios, 122½, in the 5th round of the semi, scheduled for six. The fours: Willie Patterson, 173½, dec. Benny Doyle, 166½; Art Lopez, 139, TKO (4) over Leon Mitchell, 140½, and Puggy Jones, 173½, dec. Leroy Smith, 176.

▶It wasn't a California match, but it was definitely a scrap of deep interest to California boxing fans.

Cisco Andrade, the Compton Comet, 133½, returned to the ring at the New Frontier Arena, Las Vegas, to score a one-sided verdict over Billy Evans, the Pasadena gardner, 130½. John Hall, of the L. A. Mirror-News, called it a "10-round shutout".

Cisco had been on the sidelines following a recent operation for elbow chips, and this fight with Evans was in the nature of a tune-up for his meeting with ex-lightweight champ Bud Smith at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A., a couple of weeks hence.

Both the Cisco Kid and his pilot, Ralph Gambina, were beaming all over after the fight. "Perfect! Never felt a twinge!" exulted Andrade.

At all events, Cisco seems to be himself again, which justifies John Hall's lead: "Attention, Nat Fleischer, the N. B. A., and all other keepers of bigger and better fight rankings: Cisco Andrade is back as sharp as ever and ready for his old billing as one of the top contenders for the lightweight title!"

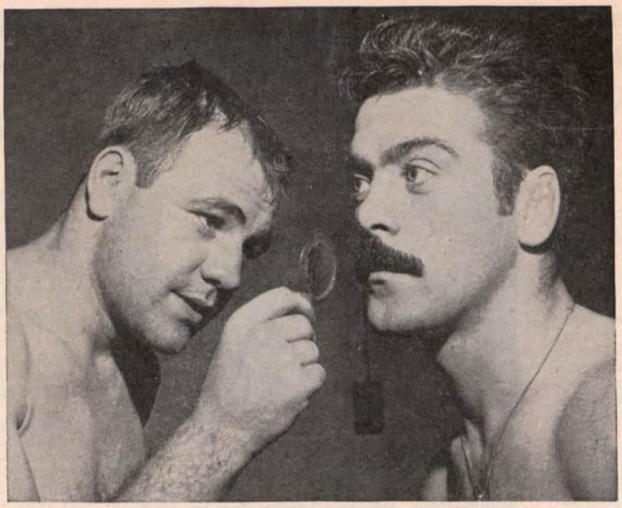
(You hear that, Nat? You get top billing over N. B. A.—Well, in my book you always had it.)

▶Artful Artie Dixon, protege of former world bantam boss Harold Dade, shocked some of the newspaper experts by scoring a 7th round TKO over hard-hitting Sonny Hett, Salem, (Ore.) middleweight at the Olympic Auditorium. Dixon, 162; Hett, 160.

It was supposed to be t'other way around. Dixon was considered the boxer, Hett the puncher. Had the boys taken the trouble to look at Page 545, 1957 Ring Record Book, they'd have noted that in two previous meetings, both last year, Dixon was triumphant, once by TKO, the other time by decision.

(I keep tellin' 'em and tellin' 'em: Look at Nat Fleischer's book. When you go to the race-track, you buy a Racing Form to see past performances. The Ring Record Book serves the same purpose in boxing.)

Hett, (born Gerald Hetland) has scored nine knockouts in his 17 pro fights—up to the end of 1956, that is. Perhaps that is what swayed my young friends of the press.



Germinal Ballarin, French middleweight has his mustache examined by Bob Provizzi prior to their St. Nicholas Arena televised fight won by the Frenchman.

By NAT LOUBET

Those Stiff Upper Lips

WHEN Germinal Ballarin, French leather pusher fought Bob Provizzi, Pennsylvania middleweight, in the St. Nicholas Rink a few weeks ago, his appearance with a flowing mustache brought back to the old timers memories of the Gay Nineties when such hirsute adornments for boxers seemed to be a fashion, especially with the top ringmen. Ballarin, who defeated his opponent in a ten rounder, not only appeared with a mustache but sideburns as well and in order to retain his lipwear, he found it necessary to make a plea to the Boxing Commission whose rules stipulate that all boxers in New York, must be clean shaven.

In the days of John L. Sullivan, the flowing lip spinach was a sign of masculinity and strength and no permission had to be asked to wear it.

In recent years, Archie Moore, world light heavyweight champion, sported a goatee and many foreign fighters, mostly from Mexico and Central America, have appeared in American rings with sideburns.

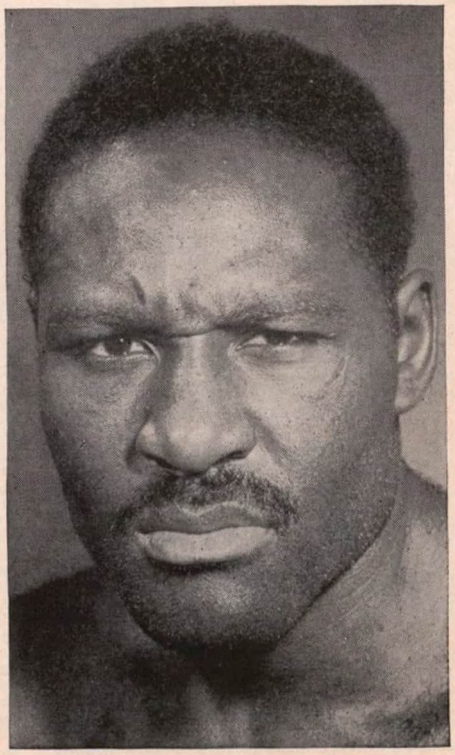
Ballarin, in explaining why he didn't want to be clean shaved, said that he feels he can fight better with the lipwear. His record, comprising 23 knockouts in 43 battles, seems to bear him out.

In New York, when William Muldoon was Chairman of the Commission, he had no objection to such appearance but when Jim Farley came into the post of chief of staff, he ordered clean shaves for all for sanitary reasons and to prevent the bristles from cutting the boxers' faces when the boys are doing close infighting. With few exceptions, that rule has been in effect not only in New York but in most other states for many years.

Ballarin, a handsome looking Frenchman, presented a striking appearance and Commissioner Helfand didn't have the heart to get him to remove the stiff upper lip. He remarked that Ballarin seemed to view his mustache with profound masculine pride.

Facial hair often can be of big help to the one who has not shaved on the day of a fight. The crusade for smooth-chinned boxers has gained momentum in all parts of America but not so in the Far East, Continental Europe and Latin-American countries where little objection is raised. It is common in Asia to see ringmen with stubby beards and flowing mustaches in action.

Sugar Ray Robinson, Raul Macias, N. B. A. bantam champ; Randy Sandy and Bob Baker among present day boxers frequently have sported the adornment though they have been careful not to let their mustaches become too conspicuous. In his training camp workouts, Archie Moore seldom shaves off his Van Dyke beard but has been ordered to do so when in actual combat. Ezzard Charles sported a mustache and was fond of it. He had to remove it when he fought Jersey Joe Walcott.

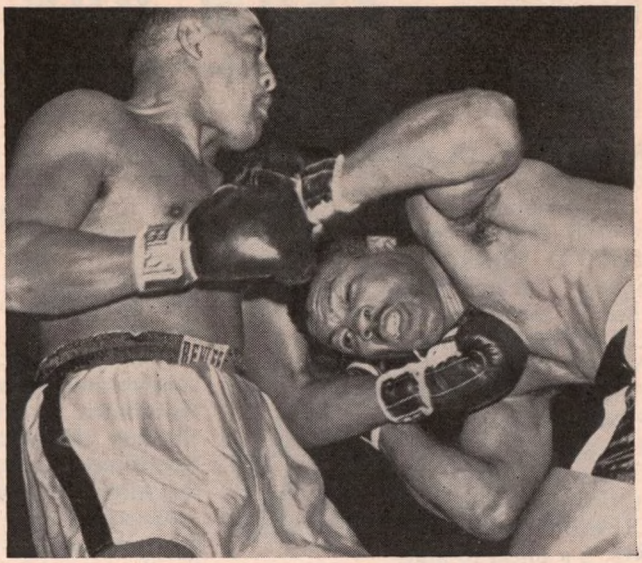


Ezzard Charles, ex-heavyweight champion of the world who took to wearing the lip adornment in recent years.

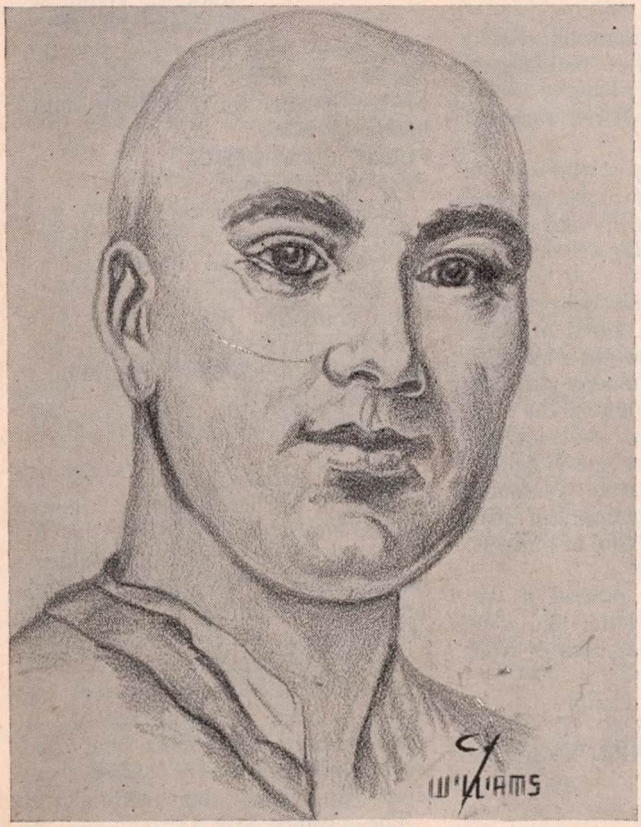
Jack Dempsey was one of the worst offenders. Before the clean shave rule went into effect, he would grow a stubble and use it to good effect in making things very uncomfortable for his opponents when his head rested against that of a rival. He would present a menacing appearance when he entered the ring. Often one look at his dark face covered with the bristles sticking out like spikes, and an opponent was licked before the fight got under way. He was responsible for the rule being adopted by the New York Commission. Cut faces were frequent from those stubbles. Joe Walcott, the Barbados Demon, Bob Fitzsimmons after he won the world heavyweight title; Peter Maher, the Irish champion; John C. Heenan, first American to engage in an International Heavyweight championship fight back in 1860; John Morrissey, first boxer to enter U. S. Congress; Paddy Ryan who lost the bare-knuckle crown to John L. Sullivan and loads of others both in the bare-knuckle era and up to the Golden Era of Boxing with its million dollar gates, bewiskered boxers and mustached fighters were common.

From the middle of the nineteenth century through about 1930, there were plenty such.

Ballarin may have started the fad again in New York, but it is doubtful if the mustached-growing professional fighter will find much support among those who supervise the sport. Particularly so since the main event pugilists frequently appear on television and the TV sponsors selling razors want a neat, clean shaven appearance for those who are seen on the home screens.



Above: Bob Baker, left, and John Homan, both sporting lipwear as they mix it up during their elimination contest at the Miami Beach Auditorium. Baker won decision.



JACK BROUGHTON

Elected to Hall of Fame 1954

Jack Broughton, born in England in 1704 was considered the father of boxing as he formed the first set of rules and, in 1747, advertised the first set of boxing gloves. He won the heavyweight championship in the early 1700's and reigned until 1750.

Broughton died in 1789 in London leaving an estate valued at $35,000, which was quite a lot for those times. He had been a Thames waterman and Yeoman of the Guard and was considered the supreme authority on boxing for his times.

FROM OUR READERS

ROY HARRIS—YA WANNA BET?

Gentlemen:

On the front cover of "THE RING" for July the top headline reads "ANTHONY THREAT TO PATTERSON." This boy Anthony might be a threat to Patterson—BUT THE CHAMPION regardless who he is—is NOW THREATENED BY ROY HARRIS OUT HERE IN THESE PINEY WOODS, CUT 'n SHOOT, Texas. It doesn't matter to us Piney Woods Folks down here who the boy is that holds the title of WORLD CHAMPION—Our boy, ROY HARRIS, is a threat to him.

Anybody up in your neck of the woods that wants to bet any amount from a long horn cow to an oil well or oil field against HARRIS, well—he can get it called with the snap of his finger down in these piney woods in and around Cut 'n Shoot. I know Roy. I've known him all my life, and I know his folks.

I've picked cotton right along side of his dad Henry. Have sawed cord wood with him years before this country had anything better than pine wood to burn. Old Roy came up right along the same rut—I have seen Roy saw cord wood and railroad ties until his eyes almost popped out. Then his dad Henry would take a stick, craw a ring on the ground—and put him in the ring with some boy just any boy and let 'em fight—I mean fight.

Roy Harris made a monkey out of Willie Pastrano in Houston. I was right there right close so I could hear the licks Roy was gonna give Pastrano —and Roy gave 'em to Willie believe you me—no fooling, Roy made a monkey out of Pastrano. They say Roy is to give Pastrano a return bout in 60 days, but it's hard to believe that Pastrano would want another beating. This next fight won't go over 6 rounds before Roy will have it in the bag and ready to come home to Cut 'n Shoot.

You mark it down in your little red book, that HARRIS is the next CHAMPION OF THE WORLD regardless who has it then. If its Patterson—it won't be so hard for Roy—Patterson will be easy picking for Harris. You just haven't got anybody up the ladder that will give Roy Harris any trouble. Well just thought I'd let you know that we really have a contender for the championship down in this neck of the piney woods—and the boy can't be stopped. He can fight. Roy likes it—he's always in shape. Always ready to go.

A Houston, Texas, Reader.

• **Ed Note**—They do things big in *Texas.*

THE BEST YET

Dear Sir:

There have been thousands of discussions and arguments as to who was the greatest heavyweight champion of all time. However, there have been few, if any, discussions as to who was the greatest man ever to hold the title.

There's quite a difference between being the greatest fighter ever to wear the throne and being the greatest man ever to do so. The latter takes into account the person's every action, deed, or accomplishment, *both* in and out of the ring.

Thus, in such a discussion, Rocky Marciano might possibly rank higher than Joe Louis. Or, Tommy Burns might conceivably be placed ahead of Jack Johnson.

But the big question is who was the greatest both in and out of the ring and taking into account his life and accomplishments before, during and after his reign as champion?

Many would probably select Gene Tunney, because he is gifted in many ways. Likewise, many would select Jack Dempsey, who, like Tunney, was very successful both in and out of the ring.

Jim Corbett was a man of distinction, in addition to being a good fighter. Rocky Marciano has very admirable personal qualities. Joe Louis had qualities that made him the idol of millions, and so on ad infinitem.

I would be greatly pleased if you would include this letter in your Letters To The Editor column of Ring Magazine.

John F. Collins
T/Sgt, 5217 "B" Street
Keesler AFB, Mississippi

THE FIRST TEN

Sir:

I read in the July issue of Ring, Lewis Slaws selection of the ten greatest fighters of all time in "Punch Lines From the Readers". Obviously Mr. Slaw is an old-timer who knows a great deal about the game, but I think he is way off on his choices by ignoring modern fighters. I realize that I have not been around nearly so long as he, but I think that I know a great deal about fighters, old-time as well as modern.

I agree with Mr. Slaw on some points, especially on the power of Jeffries, but here are my ten greatest: 1. Jack Dempsey 2. James Jeffries 3. Ray Robinson 4. Joe Louis 5. Benny Leonard 6. Gene Tunney 7. Jack Johnson 8. Rocky Marciano (would have given any of them a good fight) 9. Joe Gans 10. Stanley Ketchel.

Ronnie Groves
New Iberia, La.

SAME ROCHE

In your August issue of The Ring I read an entertaining article on the eccentric Young Griffo. The writer was Billy Roche, and I'm curious to know if this could be the Billy Roche, famous old-time manager, promoter and referee, who died a few years ago, or is it some one else with the same name?

John L. Hennessey,
Syracuse, N. Y.

• **Ed. Note**—*Yes, it was the "old" Billy Roche. The article was one of a series written by him for The Ring shortly before he died.*

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE

Dear Mr. Fleischer:

I checked your record book to learn if any title Bantamweight bout held in the United States ever drew more than $82,119, which amount the Macias-Ursua bout drew June 15 here in the Cow Palace. I know this gate figure was topped in Bangkok, according to your book, but did not notice a gate this large in any bout held in the U. S. A.

It was a terrific bout and Ursua had the title in his hands had he followed up his knockdown of Macias in the first round. He appeared bewildered and surprised, I think, and waited too long before resuming the bout while Macias was on his feet but noticeably groggy and any kind of a punch would have knocked him off his feet had Ursua followed up more quickly. It was a slashing hard fought bout every second and both boxers covered themselves with glory by their performances.

The advance was $32,000 and the gate sale over $49,000, which is unusual I believe. Mexicans and Filipinos came from as far away as Mexico City, also in and out of California to see this bout.

The secret, of course, was not on radio or T.V. and this was the reason for the large gate.

This again proves to me that if the fans are given a bout they like, and have the confidence in the game neces-

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sary to interest them to attend, nothing will ever stop big gates locally wherever the bout is to be held providing the show is blacked out on TV as was this one. However the main thing is to have and keep the confidence of the public in the sport so that they will want to attend. I know you agree with me on this.

Willie Ritchie
California State Athletic Commission

• Ed. Note—*We agree.*

IRATE

I was amazed at the draw verdict given in the Durelle-Anthony fight. Durelle was fouled repeatedly and easily had an advantage that entitled him to the decision. Why doesn't the Boxing Commission announce the result before the fight? It seems Anthony just couldn't lose though he was almost knocked out by Durelle. What must a Canadian do to win a decision in the States? I am an irate Canadian fan.

Jack Mars
Brantford, Ont., Can.

Ed. Note—*There are irate American fans too.*

THOSE TV DECISIONS

Dear Sir:

Much has been written in recent months about how our Courts will destroy boxing with the recent rulings they have handed down.

I am not so much concerned with our Courts destroying the fight game, as I am about the poor decisions on some of the bouts that are carried nation-wide on television. These bum decisions are the real danger facing boxing today. If this factor isn't vastly improved, freight paying boxing fans will cease to attend boxing shows.

Take the Tony Anthony-Yvon Durelle bout in the Detroit Olympia which was called a draw. This was the worst of the year. The Canadian brawler hit Anthony with everything but the ring posts and the score sheets of the officials yet come out with only a draw, although one judge favored him narrowly.

Orville L. Gordon
Collins, Mississippi

NEWS OF THE MAT WORLD

(*Continued from page 35*)

home in Oyster Bay, New York. . . . Ray Torres, fast stepping 225 pound Mexican heavyweight, is now looking in better form than we have seen him since his debut a few years ago. Speedy Ray has the highest dropkick we have seen, and through the years many dropkick stars have passed our way. Likeable and fast as a bullet, young Torres is a big box office attraction. . . . Was sorry to see the "farce" wrestlers Tom Rice and Sandor Szabo made out of the mat game in a re-run of the CBS television show, "December Bride." In a plot dealing with the sport, Szabo hammed his way through the wrestling part of the show in the role of a singing matman, while our good friend Tom Rice came in as a hillbilly. Fellas, no TV job is worth making your life's work a farce. No wonder sports writers make light of it. It's bad enough when two of it's biggest stars goes on TV and plays the role of two obvious fake matmen. . . . Chief Suni War Cloud of Oklahoma, complete with his dreaded Indian Deathlock is wowing coast fans in the northern California area. . . . This writers mailing address is 4510 North Arthur Ave., Fresno 5, Calif. USA.

The Winterland Arena in San Francisco is being used for an Ice Follies show during the summer, and SF mat bugs are having to go across the bay to nearby Oakland to get their ration of mat mayhem. . . . Pat Fraley, pro wrestling's colorful meanie, is wrestling in and around the Los Angeles area. . . . Joe Hamilton, young brother of heavyweight challenger Larry Hamilton of Missouri, has made his debut as a professional wrestler. Joe pinned Johnny Ace in a fast bout in St. Joseph, Mo. . . . Barry Penhale continues to do a fine job of describing wrestling action at North Bay, Ontario in Canada. . . . Leo Garibaldi, the swift youngster from New York, is alternating in his coast appearances between Portland, Oregon and Fresno, Calif. Leo is high on praise for Ray Torres, Billy Two Rivers, and Larry Chene. He says his toughest match was against Baron Leone in Los Angeles in 1951. . . . "Scotty" Brulez and Les Malone are still doing a commendable job as arena policemen at Fresno's Memorial Auditorium. In everyday life, Les and "Scotty" are Fresno police officers. . . . Fans are sad to hear that Don Arnold has turned rough in the ring. Arnold is creating havoc in the Rod Fenton Arizona territory. . . . It's good to see Mike Sharpe back in harness again. Big Mike, a colorful but rough 260 pounder, was out of action after a near fatal auto wreck near San Francisco.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY

By Al Fenn

PHOENIX BOXING FANS, 1800 strong, enjoyed themselves at an exceptionally good card at Madison Square Garden. In the 10-round main event, fourth ranked Zora Folley, 195—one of the busiest heavyweights in the country—looked tremendously sharp in stopping Julius Griffin, 198, of New York, in 2:59 of the fourth round. Griffin was on the floor twice before referee Jay Edison halted proceedings to protect Griffin from further punishment. Zora has a winning streak of 12, and a knockout record of 22 in 34 wins.

In a crowd pleasing 5-rounder, Manolito Elias, 119, of Phoenix outfought Eddie Saint, 118, of Deming, N. M. In other 5-rounders, Ted (Big Bear) Hutchinson, 195, Phoenix won a decision from Larry Melton, 179, Luke AFB. Nathan Ish, 165, Phoenix, decisioned Turkey Thomas, 170, Los Angeles, and Collier Cox, 124, Phoenix decisioned Ramon Rodriguez, 126, Juarez.

NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

THE BIG FIGHT OF THE MONTH—IN FACT, OF THE YEAR—was between GEORGE BARNES, Australian and Empire champion, and new middleweight sensation, CLIVE STEWART. More than 12,000 fans turned up to see this one at Sydney Stadium. However, the fight lacked the thrills expected. Barnes fought well below form. Stewart won eleven rounds of the twelve and gave George the biggest thrashing of his career, with the exception of the time valiant George was outpointed by Freddie Dawson.

▶ The best fight seen around Sydney for a long time was at Murramatta between two featherweights, FRANKIE BENNETT and BRIAN BENNETT, (no relation) At the end of twelve hectic rounds, the decision was a draw—a verdict which met with approval. Your correspondent, Ray Mitchell, was the third man in the ring.

▶ Rising lightweight, MAXIE CARLOS, who, after four professional contests (he was an Olympic representative), rose to the number one contender post in the Australian ratings, met with his first defeat when he was outpointed by Frenchman, FERNAND NOLLET, at Melbourne Stadium.

▶ A fortnight later, in the same stadium, Nollet was outpointed by the Australian champion, GEORGE BRACKEN, who recently lost to Carlos.

▶ Also at Melbourne, Bracken easily outpointed SAMMY BONNICI, of Malta.

Englishman JIMMY NEWMAN is in Australia and was matched with DARBY BROWN for his initial appearance in this country. However, a few days before the fight, Darby announced his retirement from boxing. His last fight with Barnes for the Australian and Empire titles took a lot out of Brown and he realized that he did not have it any more.

▶ Australian middleweight champion, BILLY MC DONNELL, had one of the easiest wins of his career when he tangled with Frenchman, HENRI ENTRINGER at Melbourne Stadium. Billy won every round of the scheduled twelve.

▶ Billy's brother, DON MC DONNELL, junior-welter, had an unfortunate loss at Lismore. Ahead on points coming into the last round of his fight with STAN HAYWOOD, Don suffered a damaged elbow when both fighters fell out of the ring and Don could not continue.

Don was out of luck again at Sydney Stadium, when he tangled with RUSSELL SANDS. Only this time it wasn't bad luck which lost him the fight—it was the fact that Russell was too good. Sands knocked out McDonnell in five rounds. Sands is the number two contender for the Australian lightweight title.

▶ WARNER BATCHELOR, having his second pro start after a successful amateur career, knocked out PETER ELLSTON in the ninth round of a twelve at Brisbane Stadium.

The other half of the Brisbane double bill saw featherweight GORDON BELL stop BOYD SCULLY in the eighth round. Referee Pat Hill stopped the fight because of serious eye-cuts suffered by Scully. Bell was in front on points at the conclusion.

▶ At the same stadium, Bell knocked out BARRY MOLLOY in the tenth round. But 14 days later, Bell lost on points to GEORGE FLEMMING in a good fight. George won convincingly.

▶ BERT O'KEEFE performed very well in stopping JOHNNY SHORT in eight rounds at Sydney Stadium. O'Keefe took charge early.

▶ Rising light-heavy, PETER BOTHE gave veteran ALFIE SANDS a boxing lesson at Wollongong. It went the ten scheduled rounds, with Bothe an easy points winner. This lad could go to the top in Australia.

▶ Another light-heavy to watch is BOB MURDOCH, who knocked out RUDY CRIVAC in four rounds at Swansea. This was Murdoch's fourth pro start.

ALEX MITEFF

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put him in a gym for months before he turned him loose as a pro against Bob O'Brien, on June 8, 1956. He beat O'Brien handily in a six-rounder at the St. Nicks.

"What impressed me most about him when I got him," said Wallman, *"was his great desire to fight. That's all he knows and that's all he wants to do."*

"Hymie is right," said Miteff. *"I much rather fight than work."*

A good natured fellow, Alex feels right at home in New York, especially now that he has married his Argentine sweetheart. Alex returned to Buenos Aires last Christmas and brought back his bride, attractive Diana Tommassi.

"The people here are very friendly," said Alex who has built up a good following. *"I live near Central Park and I run there. People I see there they wave to me and I wave back. It's' very nice."*

Alex had no problem adjusting himself to American food.

"I eat steak in Argentina," he said. *"I eat steak here. Hymie is a nice fellow."*

What made him become a fighter? Was it because of Luis Angel Firpo, Argentina's old heavyweight pride?

"I always wanted to become a fighter," said Alex, *"but not because of Firpo. It was Joe Louis. I read much about him. I saw him in the movies. I wanted to become a heavyweight champion like Joe Louis."*

He could make it, too. And if he does, just remember the *"discoverer."* If he turns out to be a flop—perish the thought—blame it on Chris Schenkel.

SEEN ON TELEVISION

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where he began fighting as an amateur when he was fifteen years old. He won 12 of 13 amateur bouts and went to California to launch his professional career.

Vaughn's crowd-pleasing style quickly advanced him to the main bout class and he captured the California state middleweight title by upsetting Charlie Green in December of 1953. The following year he lost the title back to Green, regained it from him, then lost and regained it in fights with Sal Perea.

He was sidelined most of 1955 and 1956 due to managerial trouble and was stripped of his state title due to inactivity.

An awkwardly clever boxer who slips most of the punches thrown at him, he is able to counter even when seemingly out of position. He has faced most of the top 160 pounders while winning 34 of 56 bouts and has scored kayos over Moses Ward, Garth Panter, Hank Davis, Jimmy Morris and Felix Benson.

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In stopping Benson he handed the Philadelphian his first pro loss.

Willie has defeated Charley Joseph, Al Williams, Esau Ferdinand, Pete Servin, Govan Small, Earl Turner and Charley Cato and drew with Bobby Jones, Chebo Hernandez (twice). In 1955 he lost a close decision to then world middleweight king, Carl (Bobo) Olson in a non-title fight.

Although he lost in his first three national TV bouts against Rory Calhoun, Giardello and Bobby Boyd, he made a hit with the fans and gave his opponents a busy evening. He broke his TV drought by stopping Chebo Hernandez in his last fight, his fourth with Hernandez. He has a record against Chebo of two draws, one KO and one win.

TONY DECOLA

A tall slender young welterweight comer, Tony DeCola, made an auspicious entry into the main bout class as he staged a last round rally that gave him a upset split decision victory over European lightweight, Felix Chiocca of France a few weeks ago at St. Nick's in New York before a national television audience.

Born in the Red Hook section of Brooklyn where he still lives, this twenty-one years boy is one of three in a family of ten children.

Tony's formal education as a boxer began when he was a fifteen year old as a 90 pounder in the PAL. That year, 1952, he captured the PAL championship. As an amateur he engaged in forty bouts, winning thirty-seven.

In 1953 Tony won the Golden Glove Sub-Novice 118 pound title and the following year repeated as the open champion.

Standing a shade under six foot, Tony grew fast and by the time he started a punch for pay career in July of 1954, he had grown into a lightweight.

Possessing a good left jab and hook, DeCola has been moved along at a slow pace according to today's standards. His bout with Chiocca was his twenty-seventh. His manager Frank Guigno, who has guided Tony since his PAL days, said, "He is only a youngster and I saw no sense in rushing him. We took our time and I feel that now Tony is ready to move up."

DeCola has recorded 19 wins in his 27 starts, losing 7 and boxing a draw. This year he rolled up six straight wins, including three kayos. His all over kayo total is only four, but as he matures he is picking up hitting power. Among his victims are Henny Winchman, Roger Harvey, Eddie Prince, Ray Apollo, Gene Takach, Charlie Cummings, Itzy Wallach, Tony Sansone and Eddie James. He has won 13 of his last 15 bouts.

GALE KIRWIN

In his television debut last December, Gale Kerwin floored unbeaten Carlos Ortiz in the first heat and had him on the verge of a kayo. However, he lost him, and Carlos came back to outbox Gale and capture the verdict after ten rounds.

Later, Gale disgustedly remarked, *"next time, I get a guy on the hook he won't get off, you can bet on that."*

A few weeks ago Kerwin returned on TV against tough Tony DiBiase and in the dieing seconds of the fourth round decked his foe. DiBiase was saved by the bell. In the fifth, Gale lived up to his name as he unleashed a furious attack that caused the referee to halt the contest after 1.21 of the round had elapsed. Gale had learned the lesson of the Ortiz fight well.

Gale Allen Kerwin was born twenty-two years ago in Ottawa, Canada, one of six boys. He was started on his fistic career at eleven by his mother and uncle. After boxing for four years in junior competition, he entered the amateur ranks and for three years captured Ontario titles in the featherweight and then lightweight classes. In 1952 he reached the finals of the Olympic trials. During his amateur days he won 48 of 53 bouts, over half by knockouts.

He now makes his home in Valley Stream, L. I., with his wife Joyce and their five month old son Allen Patrick. Joyce is very interested in his career and is a critical viewer of his bouts.

Since turning pro in the spring of 1954 he has answered the bell twenty-nine times, scoring twenty-four wins, losing two decisions and boxing one draw, and was on the losing end of a technical knockout when his eye was cut by Charlie Cummings. He has turned in victories over Brian Kelly, Gerry Phelps, Rocky Randell, Benny Artist, Dexter Connors, Nicki Gadson, George Collins, Al Barraza and Stan Smith.

He is a solidly built, five feet eight inches 140 pounder. He has blue eyes and blond hair. Gale has lost only two of his last twenty-two contests.

For inside information on everything that goes on in boxing read *The Ring*.

BIG MEN ALSO FALL

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Henry Lewis lasted less than a round with Joe Louis.

Billy Conn, one of the great light-heavyweight champions, fought Louis twice. The Pittsburgh kid had speed, and was a superior boxer. Both times Louis knocked out Conn.

Fitzsimmons was both an exception and an example. When middleweight champion, and weighing 167 pounds, he knocked out James J. Corbett, 183, in the fourteenth round to become heavyweight champion. As heavyweight champion, still weighing 167 pounds, Fitz broke his hands on the 206 pound James J. Jeffries. The end came in the eleventh, with Jeff crowned world heavyweight champion.

FITZ FISTIC MARVEL, FIRST TO GAIN THREE TITLES

There have been few better fighting men than Fitzsimmons, who after losing to Jeffries won the light-heavyweight championship. Fitz was the first, and the only fighter to win three world titles until Armstrong came along. Starting as a featherweight, Henry won three championships, including the lightweight and welterweight, within a period of 12 months. More than that he aspired to the middleweight title, and came so close his bout with Ceferino Garcia was called a draw.

Armstrong was a champion of champions, winning his titles from Petey Sarron, featherweight; Barney Ross, welterweight, and Lou Ambers, lightweight, before taking on Garcia, the middleweight king. Henry never got around to defending his featherweight throne. He lost the lightweight crown in a return bout with Ambers, and eventually Fritzie Zivic defeated him for the welterweight title.

We recall meeting Armstrong in Boston a week after he had fought Garcia even up in Los Angeles. The West Coast papers were saying Henry deserved the decision, and there was some talk of an agreement to call the fight a draw if both men were on their feet at the finish. Would Henry like to fight Garcia again.

"*He is so big,*" replied the three-time champion. "*He punches so hard.*"

One can imagine Stanley Ketchel, middleweight champion, saying the same thing about Jack Johnson, heavyweight king. Ketchel knocked Johnson down in the twelfth round. Johnson picked himself off the canvas, and with the next punch knocked Ketchel out. The weights were announced as Johnson, 205½; Ketchel, 170¼. This time the good big man had beaten the good smaller man.

Mickey Walker was always trying to move up. He was both welterweight and middleweight champion, but the closest he came to succeeding was a draw with Jack Sharkey for the American heavyweight title.

When welterweight champion, Walker fought Harry Greb for the middleweight crown. Greb won in a thrilling fight. Later after losing the welterweight championship, Mickey defeated Tiger Flowers for the middleweight crown. Aspiring to be light-heavyweight king, the Toy Bull Dog lost to Tommy Loughran in Chicago.

Walker's big bid was made against Max Schmeling. The German had lost the heavyweight title to Sharkey, but he handled Walker easily enough, winning by a knockout in the ninth round. Mickey's last title bid was made against Maxie Rosenbloom, light-heavyweight champion. Slapsie-Maxie was the winner.

Nevertheless, Walker has a loving cup, the inscription of which proclaims him world light-heavyweight champion. It was presented to him after he received a newspaper decision following a 12-round no-decision battle with Mike McTigue in Newark.

Walker defeated a number of heavyweights, good ones too, among them Johnny Risko, Jim Maloney, King Levinsky and Paulino Uzcudun. There have been few better fighters than Mickey.

There have been few greater fighters than Greb. Some say he was the greatest, although he lacked the big punch. He did knock out Gunboat Smith in a round, but most of his victories were on decisions. Harry liked 'em big, and always wanted to fight Jack Dempsey.

Greb's victory over Tunney was scored in the first of their five bouts. Harry never repeated. Eventually he became convinced Gene was his master. He also formed a high opinion of Tunney's ability.

In Philadelphia, when Tunney was to fight Dempsey, the great majority anticipated a quick victory for the Manassa Mauler. Greb with little respect for Dempsey, cleaned up betting on Tunney.

The late Pop Foster was always seeking an edge in weight for his boy Jimmy McLarnin. He usually was successful, and in rapid succession Jimmy knocked out Ruby Goldstein, Sid Terris and Al Singer.

He made a mistake though, when he signed McLarnin to fight Lou Brouillard, a southpaw, who had lost the welterweight title, but was then on his way to the middleweight championship. Lefty Lou gave McLarnin a bad licking in 10 rounds.

A month after winning the lightweight title by knocking out Freddie Welsh, Benny Leonard took on Johnny Kilbane, the featherweight king. This battle of champions in Philadelphia was limited to six rounds, no-decision. Benny needed only three to get the job. Master all the way, Benny dropped Kilbane early in the third, and the featherweight champ beat the count only by grabbing Leonard's legs and pulling himself erect.

This merely delayed the finish. Leonard followed with a right, flooring Kilbane again. Johnny grabbed Benny's ankle, but his corner realized his cause was hopeless, and tossed in a sponge.

LEONARD'S WELTER EFFORT GET HIM NO LAURELS

Leonard's attempt to win the welterweight title from Jack Britton proved a fiasco. Britton, a capable all around fighter, was in front, but in the 13th Benny dropped him to his knees with a left to the body. As Referee Patsy Haley stepped in to count, Leonard ran around him and swung a left to Britton's head.

Haley promptly disqualified Leonard for hitting Britton when he was down. Leonard's excuse was that he lost his head in the excitement. It was the only time he did, as the former lightweight champion is generally considered one of the smartest fighters of all times.

Leonard was signed to fight Mickey Walker for the welterweight title in 1924 when he decided to retire as undefeated lightweight champion. His ill-fated come back seven years later ended when he was knocked out by McLarnin.

The McLarnin-Leonard bout may be cited as proof of the saying "*Youth Will Be Served.*" This too can be challenged, although at the time Leonard was 36 years old. McLarnin was 27.

Youth was thought to be a contributing factor to Gene Fullmer's victory over Robinson last January. Gene was 25, the champion 36, at least. Yet in the return bout in May, Sugar Ray laughed at the years as he regained the title by knocking out Fullmer.

When they fight, Basilio will be 30 years old. Robinson will be 37, perhaps 38. He disputes the official records, but no matter. The middleweight champion is of an age when most fighters are retired. Basilio is no youngster either. If youth is to be served Carmen will be the winner.

Then what happens to the adage "a good big man can always beat a good little man," or is it the "bigger they come the harder they fall?"

Because nobody answers the "Battle of Champions" looms as the fight of the year. The angles only add to the interest, and the gate could top the $767,626 drawn by Sugar Ray and Randy Turpin. That's the record for middleweights.

SOUTH OF THE BORDER

LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE
By Miquel Ramirez Aznar

WELL, IT REALLY WAS A BAD MONTH FOR OUR BOYS. First, Humberto Carrillo one of the best veterans of this region was knocked out by newcomer Marcelo Vargas. Later, in Mexico City, Fidel Lucero, promising crane-boy from Penoles, was also stopped by a youngster, Roberto Garcia. Only a few weeks previously, both boys fought to a 10-round draw here in Torreon.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon:—Fidel Lucero, 126, and Roberto Garcia, 126, Mexico City newcomer, drew after ten fast rounds. It was a classic battle. Later, as I stated above, Garcia kayoed Fidel in Mexico City. Alejo Mejia, 113, won from Jorge Valverde, 113, in ten rounds. Miguel Perez, 141, stopped Luis Ramirez, 137, in five. Lucio "Polino" Hidalgo, 120, KO'd Orestes "Boa" Sanchez, 122, in 2. Pedro Zapata, 128, decisioned Walterio Reyes, 129, in four.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon:—Claudio Adame, 119, beat Chuy Guerrero, 117, in ten rounds. In a great fight—the best in the month—Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 118, iced Juan Mendoza, 115, in nine. Juanito Rivera, 121, halted Chico Martinez, 121, in the second. Raul Olmos, 117, and Luis Gonzalez, 116, drew in six rounds. Agustin Contreras, 119, kayoed Jorge Solis, 117, in two.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon:—Alfonso Flores, 153, cut Victor Torres' mouth and sent the man to sleep in six. Victor weighed 156. The match was ordered by the Mexico City Boxing Commission to get an Official Challenger for Jorge Castro, National Middleweight Champion. Therefore, the Torreon plumber boy is now ready to face the Champ for the title.

Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzalez, 134, embalmed Manny Delgado, 131, in the tenth. Manuel Varela, 121, stopped Juan Alvarez, 122, in four. Ubaldo Lopez, 128, bested Vicente Flores, 126, in six. Federico Ramirez, 118, halted Jorge Torres, 117, in the third.

▶ARENA OLIMPICA, Gomez Palacio:—Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 133, drew with Felipe Sosa, 131, after ten well-fought rounds. Luis "Chivo" Diaz, 135, faced downward Freddie Olmos, 136, in four rolls. Goya Flores, 119, nailed Marcelo Montoya, 121, in the sixth. Javier Gonzalez, 118, decisioned Chatito Campos, 116, in four. Oscar Salazar, 109, annihilated Chebo Garcia, 108, in the very first round.

▶TAMPICO:—Lalo Camarena, 128, knocked out Felipe Sosa, 130, in nine rounds. It was a real upset for Felipe.

▶ACAPULCO:—Tobe Penaloza, 138, nailed Reyes Lopez, 136, in four rounds.

▶MONTERREY:—Marcelo Vargas, 133, the Durango Scorpion, destroyed tough Luciano Gonzalez, 139, in the eighth. This Vargas boy is a pupil of famous Kid Azteca.

▶GUADALAJARO:—Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 114, kayoed Marcelino Gonzalez, 120, in four.

▶TIJUANA:—Victor Manuel Quijano, 128, National Featherweight Champ, outpointed Joel Sanchez, 129, in ten. Saul Becerril, 116, also decisioned Babe Rios, 119, in another tenner.

▶REYNOSA:—Battling Torres, 129, halted Americo Rivera, 126, in five.

▶TIJUANA:—Pimi Barajas Jimenez, 116, won a 8-round technical decision over Pat Supple, 117, Canada. The reason—both butted. Baby Canti, 144, stopped Chato Duarate, 146, in the sixth.

▶MATAMOROS:—Chuy Rodriguez, 120, defeated Gallito Reyes, 121, in ten.

▶TAMPICO:—Mauro Vazquez, 126, Mexico new sensation, nailed Memo Baltazares, 130, in five rounds. This Mauro boy is managed by Lupe Serrano, a former trainer in Lupe Sanchez' stable.

▶ACAPULCO:—Billy Greaves, 145, Barbados Islands, got his first triumph in Mexico by KO'ing Tobe Penaloza, 141, in five rounds.

▶REYNOSA:—Battling Torres, 127, got the 10-round duke over Gildardo Bacho, 126.

▶MONTERREY:—Marcelo Vargas, 136, floored 7 times favorite Humberto Carrillo, 134, and finished his foe in the sixth.

▶MONTERREY:—Jess Bogart (Jesus Rangel), 144, surprised the fans when he got the duke over Frankie "Kid" Anslem, 145, after ten hard rounds.

▶IRAPUATO:—Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 113, iced Dustry Brown, 117, in three rounds.

▶MATAMOROS:—Lalo Duque, 133, stopped Bobby Garza, 131, in nine. Rafael Sotelo, 119, iced Juan "Lefty" Perez, 121, in the second.

▶GUADALAJARA:—Tomas Castillo, 144, had a very good comeback when he whipped Agustin "Chilango" Rosales, 150, in ten rounds.

▶MONTERREY:—Davey Walden, 130, Youngstown, Ohio, smashed high ranked Alfredo Nevarez, 135, in six rounds. A real surprise.

▶MONTERREY:—Here's another upset—Angel Guerrero, 129, stopped rough Beto Carbajal, 132, in seven rounds.

▶GUASAVE:—Avelino Felix, 119, tumbled down Angel Vicente, 118, Spain, in the very first round.

▶MATAMOROS:—Enrique Esqueda, 146, iced top-guy Fidel Hernandez, 144, in two rounds.

▶MATAMOROS:—The little hustler, Raul Leanos, 117, was too clever for Chucho Gonzalez, 119, and stopped his man in the sixth.

▶MONTERREY:—Veteran Otilio Galvan, 125, won a ten round unanimous decision over David Rodriguez, 126. David Camacho, 133, bested Raul Rivera, 135, also in ten.

▶ACAPULCO:—Ramon Gonzalez, 124, halted Nacho Rosales, 123, in eight. Tony Maya, 119, defeated Tribilin Carmona, 119, in ten rounds.

▶GUADALAJARA:—Juanito Martinez, 133, won a decision over Reyes Lopez, 137, in ten rolls.

▶IRAPUATO:—Freddy Garcia, 131, and Dusty Brown, 118, clashed and Freddy kayoed the little one in five rounds. How come such a weight difference was permitted.

▶MATAMOROS:—Enrique Esqueda, 145, scored another kayo triumph in his Northern Mexico campaign. His foe, Chucho Olmos, 149, went to sleep in seven.

▶CULIACAN:—Jose Luis Mora, 118, Mexico City hard hitter, destroyed Gabino Gonzalez, 120, in eight rounds.

▶GUADALAJARA:—Jose "Memo" Diez, 115, high ranked, tumbled down Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 114, in the sixth. The "Pulga" (flea, in English), was on the canvas six times. Mono Hernandez, 125, whipped Marcelino Gonzalez, 122, in ten rounds.

NOTES FROM MEXICALI
By Francisco B. Escalante

MEXICALI:—THE TEN ROUND MAIN EVENT WAS between David Cervantes, 146, and Alfredo "Molote" Cota, 148, ended after 1 minute and 50 seconds of the first heat. Cervantes threw and landed a left hook on Cota's jaw. Cota countered with a hook to Cervantes' belly and the punch knocked David against the ropes. Cota drove a hook to the liver and crossed a right hand to his adversary's left eye. Blood immediately gushed from Cervantes' eyebrow. Ref. Simon "Skippy" Berriochea stopped hostilities and told the medico to see Cervantes' torn brow. The doctor motioned for the referee to stop the fight and gave it to Cota by a TKO.

The 8-round semi brought together Jose Luis "Caracol" Hernandez, 127, and Rudy Nieto, 125. The fight was won by Hernandez by a K.O. in 4 rounds.

Gil Cota Santacruz, 130, was iced in the second with a rabbit punch thrown by Pachuco Palomares, 132. The ref evidently didn't see the punch.

Francisco "Coca-Cola" Echeverria, 146, TKO'd Leonardo Galindo, 142, after 2 minutes had trangressed in the first round.

The 4-round curtain-raiser was won by decision by Liborio "Lefty" Hurtado, 114, over Bobby Romero, 112. Hurtado had too much on the ball for Romero.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amer G.

VICTOR MANUEL QUIJANO, National Featherweight Champ, will make his debut at New York very soon. He is the best fighter in Yucatan right now and this writer hopes he will show his skill and power to the crowd of that big city.

▶TIJUANA, B. C.: Victor Manuel Quijano, Feather King of Mexico, continued to pile up an impressive win streak with a ten-round decision over Joel Sanchez.

▶ACAPULCO, GRO: Angel Guerrero, 128, kayoed Beto Carvajal, 129, of Yucatan, in six rounds.

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RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

BOXING CARDS ARE IMPROVING IN MEXICO CITY if you compare those scheduled during June with those of previous months. Of course, they are not tops yet, but should be soon. The following were the results for June:

▶Enrique Esqueda, 143, once a good prospect, stopped Billy Greaves, 141, Barbados, British West Indies, in 8. The fight could have lasted less, had Esqueda been gamer. In the semi-final, Tejon Contreras, 135, dropped a decision to Juanito Martinez, 135, in 10. Vicente Leonardo, 133, outpointed Pedro Soto, 134, in 8. Chucho Hernandez, 112, stopped Leonardo Lopez, 111, in 5. Luis Salazar, 112, outpointed Guillermo Vega, 111, in 4.

▶Carlos Arregui, 136, stopped Carlos Barragan, 135, in 6. Chino Gomez, 138, decisioned Juan Lemus, 134, in 10. Manuel Rojas, 117, decisioned Jose Juan Zurita, 114, in 8. Babe Zaragoza, 131, stopped Jose Alvarado, 134, in 2. Pablo Garcia, 119, bested Manuel Cardenas, 119, in 3.

▶Game Roque Fernandez, 115, and clever Kildo Martinez, 120, drew in the ten-round star bout, but I think Roque deserved the verdict. Manuel Rodriguez, 120, decisioned Babe Navarro, 120, in the semifinal. Eloy Sanchez, 117, outpointed Tibico Torres, 112, in 8. Salomon Coronel, 133, outpointed Terry Anahauc, 133, in 6. Jose Guerrero, 110, outpointed Guillermo Islas, 114, in 4.

▶Gabriel Barragan, 162, outpointed Jorge Castro, 160, in 10. It was an upset for Castro, happens to be the national middleweight champion, and Barragan, who stated it was his farewell fight, has always been a second rater. Hilario Morales, 127, decisioned Juanene Garcia, 125, in 10. Ray Ruiz, 116, stopped Fili Maya, 117, in 8. Joaquin Fernandez, 127, outpointed Pablo Mireles, 122, in 6. Tony Lopez, 116, decisioned Baby Tinajero, 113, in 4.

▶Jorge Manjarrez, 126, stopped Joe Reyes, 124, in 2. Lalo Camarena, 126, outpointed Cachorro Meza, 124, in 10. Chino Rodriguez, 135, stopped Humberto Vilchis, 130, in 4. Papelero Rodriguez, 118, bested Raul Leal, 115, in 4. Luis Lopes, 117, outpointed Chano Juarez, 112, in 4.

▶Juanito Martinez, 134, outpointed Ubaldo Ramirez, 136, in 10. Al Olivera, 135, outpointed Indio Conde, 130, in 10. Gabriel Herrera, 126, outpointed Daniel Silva, 126, in 8. Ernesto Quevedo, 118, stopped Lupe Perez, 116, in 6. Rudy Tepehua, 117, outpointed Paulino Guerrero, 117, in 4.

▶Roberto Garcia, 128, about whom you will see something in The Ring soon, stopped Fidel Lucero, 128, in 5. This was a rematch. The first fight was a draw. Memo Sanchez, 119, stopped Ernesto Castaneda, in 9. Sanchez announced his retirement. Enrique Castillo, 126, stopped Luis Bautista, 124, in 4. Efrain Quintana, 124, outpointed Isidro Barranco, 124, in 6. David Becerril, 124, stopped Abel Martinez, 122, in 1.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA
By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

LUNA PARK—THE ARGENTINE FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPION, Ricardo Gonzalez (Gonzalito), successfully defended his title against Alfredo Bunetta. He won by a K. O. in the 14th round.

▶ In Stadium Babilonia (Buenos Aires), Alberto Barenghi, bantam weight drew with Oscar Cádenas.

▶ LOMAS DE AMORA — In the "Lomas Park", Manuel Alvarez, ex-Argentine feather weight champion, won on points in 10 rounds from Juan Carlos Ayala.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—Osvaldo Spinelli, welter weight, won on points in 10 rounds from José Maria Valdez, ex light champion of Spain.

▶ PERGAMINO—Juan Ramallo, feather weight won by a K. O. over Juan Carlos Rodriguez, 4 rounds.

▶ BAHIO BLANCO—The undefeated and hard puncher, "Rocky" Rivero, kayoed Manuel Serón in 4 rounds. Rivero is a sensation in the welterweight class there.

▶ PUNTA ALTA—Humberto Perez, light weight, outpointed Elias Higuera in 10 rounds easily.

▶ ROSARIO—Alberto Benassi, light heavy weight champion defended his title against Pablo Sagripanti. He won on points in 12 rounds.

▶ CORDOBA—Welter weight Marcelo Videla kayoed Ramon Brion in 4 rounds in the "Cordoba Sport Stadium" in the fourth round.

▶ BAHLIA BLANCO—Angel Ahumada, welter weight, won on a K. O. in 10 rounds from Enrique Mansilla.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—In new Stadium "Babilonia", Osvaldo Spinelli won by a K. O. in rounds over Raúl Monzón and the same night José D. Luna won on points in 10 rounds from Alberto Mendoza.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—Argentine has another South American champion in Roberto Castro who beat the title Chilean bantam weight Arturo Rojas in 15 rounds in the Luna Park ring.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—In "Babilonia" Stadium, Miguel Zalazar welterweight won on points over Francisco Ciucci and Avelino Romero in the bantam weight decisioned over Oscar Morales, 10 rounds.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—LUNA PARK—Undefeated "Rocky" Rivero, sensation in the welterweight, kayoed Federico Guerra in the 5th round.

▶ CORDOBA—Feather weight Pedro Miranda won on a T. K. O. in the seventh round from Guillermo Mendoza.

▶ BAHIA BLANCA—Raúl Vargas, feather weight and "challenger" for the Argentine title, drew with Aldo Gamboa in 10 rounds.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—LUNA PARK—Hard Chilean puncher, Sergio Salvia, kayoed Rogelio Andre, lightweight, in the first round.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—In the "Babilonia" Stadium, lightweight Omar Ricilio kayoed Anibal Servin in the 4th round

▶ LUNA PARK—Ex-Argentine welterweight champion, Cirilo Gil, outpointed Oscar Paez, in 10 rounds.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—In "Babilonia" Stadium, light heavy weight Antonio Diaz won on points in 10 rounds from Aurelio Diaz.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—LUNA PARK—The Chilean lightweight Sergio Salvia, in a hard match with Angel Olivieri, kayoed the latter in the ninth round.

▶ BUENOS AIRES—In Babilonia Stadium, middle weight Oscar Rojas won a K. O. from Santiago Meza in the 8th round.

▶ COMODORO RIVADAVIA—Lightweight Humberto Madriaga won on a K. O. in six rounds from Valentin Daza.

▶ MAR DEL PLATA—Angel Ahumada decisioned welterweight Nelson Prizzo in 10 rounds and Domingo Tacuavé, feather weight, kayoed Alfredo Ramirez in the second.

▶ ROSARIO—Feather weight Juan Ramallo outpointed Juan Carlos Ayala easily in ten.

▶ LUNA PARK—(Buenos Aires)—Panamanian welterweight Frederick Thompson won by a K. O. in the second round over Ramón Vargas and undefeated Osvaldo Cañete decisioned Victor Cejas in 10 in lightweight bout.

▶ BABILONIA—(Buenos Aires)—Omar Ricilio, lightweight, lost by a K. O. in the second round to Carlos Quintana.

▶ LUNA PARK—(Buenos Aires)—Angel Ahumada, welter, kayoed Chilean Manuel Contreras in the second round and Roberto Sabra, undefeated welterweight, won by a K. O. over Santiago Minelli in the eighth round.

▶ BABILONIA—(Buenos Aires)—Bantam weight Luis Jimenez won the decision in 10 rounds over Ricardo Valdés and light heavyweight René Pereyra kayoed Norberto Barraera in the second round.

▶ LUNA PARK—(Buenos Aires)—Ex feather Argentine champion Manuel Alvarez won the decision over the Italian Sergio Milán in 10 rounds.

▶ BABILONIA—(Buenos Aires)—Bantam weight Alberto Barenghi won the decision in 10 rounds over Avelino Romero.

NEWS FROM VENEZUELA
By William Albert

AT MARACAIBO: Ramon Arias, 112, Flyweight Venezuelan Champ, scored his most important victory this year, kayoing the Chilean German Pardo, 7th in the "World Ratting" in seven rounds. Our champion used his best arm, the right hand, in excellent form, and occasioned a cut eye to Pardo winning by T.K.O.

The fans gave a fine ovation to the winner. Arias signed a contract for a bout in Caracas, July 22 against the Italian Aristide Pozzali.

▶ Caracas: In the Nuevo Circo—Before a record crowd that paid $20,000. Victor "Sonny" Leon our Featherweight King scored another triumph in his brilliant career, winning by KO over Russ Tague, of Davenport, Iowa in 1:50 of the 6th round. A short right to the jaw determined the end to the visitor.

This was a good fight. The American fought the first rounds in good form, but the Venezuelan demonstrated most superiority in the rounds 4th, 5th and 6th. They weighed: Leon 126½, and Tague 125¼.

The semifinal: Pete Kawala, 132, of Canada won over Venezuelan Vicente Matute, 134, in ten. Kawala outboxed his contender all night, and occasioned a cut nose in the 5th round. In other good battle, Eduardo "mono de agua" Rodriguez, a promising featherweight, continued undefeated in pro-winning his (12) straight victory, now over veteran Gonsalo Andueza in 10.

Angel Amaya, 127, outpointed Rafael Padrino, 125½ in six. Vicente Espinoza, 130, halted Victor Romero in five.

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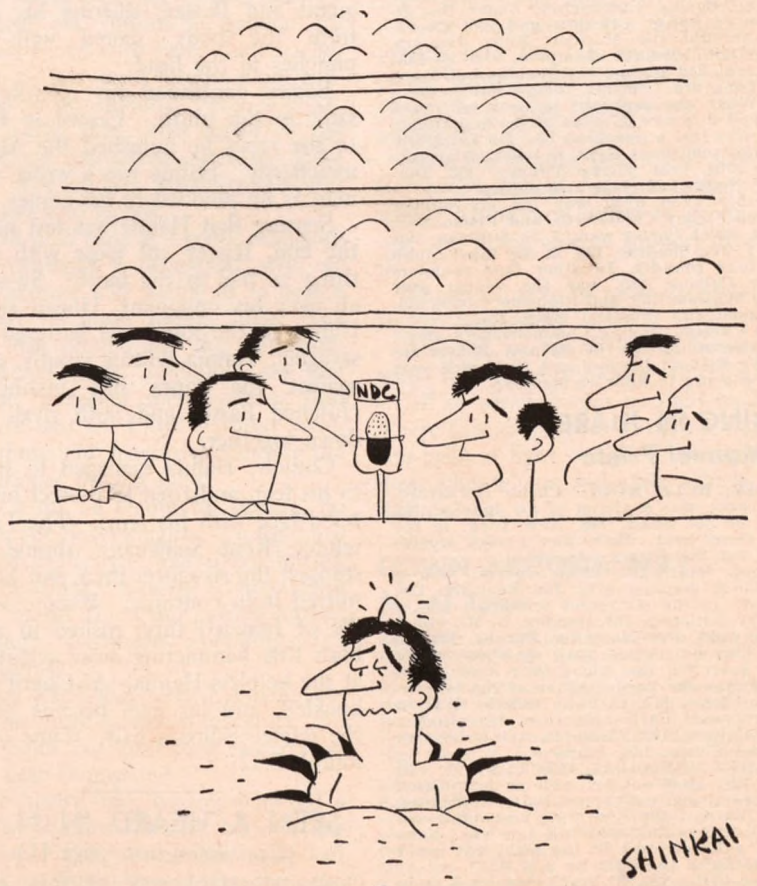
BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

AT THE ARENA COLON IN PANAMA, LOUIS CRAIG PUT ON A GOOD show for the Red Cross and Gov. Maria Gonzalez in which bantamweight champion Melvin Bourne and Fenley Hooker, a junior lightweight, were featured. The referee stating the men were not trying halted the affair in the eighth round and called it "no-contest." Bourne was fined and suspended for a year and Hooker was fined and suspended for 6 months.

Edwin Sykes, Bantam, stopped Sonny McKay, bantam, in the first round due to a bad cut over the eye. Sam Bruce, 140, stopped Kid Allen, in 59 seconds of round one. Arturo Smith, feather, beat Velentin Brown, in 4.



"...A TERRIFIC OVERHAND RIGHT, AND JONES IS FLOORED..."

BOXING IN LIMA, PERU

By Dr. Wilfred Stephenson

THE PROFESSIONAL BOXING GAME IS AGAIN going well in Lima. During June and July we have had a weekly show at the Acho Arena. The promoters are putting up international programs. Here are the most interesting bouts recently staged:

▶PERICO GARCIA, the Peruvian welter weight champion won a ten-round battle on points from the Argentinian CARLOS FOCHADO, a hard-hitting boxer. MAURO MINA, a Peruvian, decisioned another Argentinian middleweight, SANTIAGO MESA.

In the preliminaries, GUSTAVO GONZALES turned in a clear-cut victory over FERNANDITO CHAVEZ in six rounds, while CARLOS GOMEZ who kissed the canvas once, lo[illegible] to DANIEL MANSILLA. These boys fo[illegible] a bruising battle in the scheduled fo[illegible] rounds.

MAURO MINA, who from appearances seems destined to go far, scored another 10-round victory, this time over another imported Argentine middleweight, AURELIO DIAZ. The newcomer, created a fine impression. However, he was outpointed by the local man. A great bout over a ten-round route was that between LUIS GUTIERREZ and CARLOS FACHADO who scored a victory over his opponent.

GUSTAVO GONSALEZ had an unpopular decision over ANGEL RISCO in six rounds; and BENITO ARROYO got the nod after severely trouncing VICTOR RIVAS during four exciting stanzas.

▶Boxers from Central America, the West Indies and South America, in the middle and welter divisions, with or without managers, can find action here. Contact with this columnist at 540-550 Calle San Martin, Miraflores, Lima, Peru, South America.

BOXING IN CURACAO

By L. Koeiman

CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION has been given to boxing here and many good shows were staged. Thanks to a pair of newly licensed promoters' intelligent and hard work. Previously there weren't many good cards but now one can see them regularly. The only one which brought disappointment to both promoter and the public was when the Curacao Boxing Enterprises, under the direction of Panky Crichlow and Kid Chocolate, brought the Mexican Rudy Jimenez, former middleweight champion, here so that he be matched against the Arubian bulldozer, Sam Langford. Jimenez turned out to be a flop. What was supposed to be a ten-round bout ended in two minutes of the first round. Rudy was just a punching bag for Langford.

In the semi-final eight rounder, Diamante Negro, 154, beat Young Tunney, 155. Diamante Negro has class and ability.

Another good fight was the six-rounder between Jimmy Carter, 140, and Primo Nell, 140, in which Carter won. J. B. Sullivan, 190, koed Young Shadrac, 190, in the third round of a four rounder. In other four rounders Young Cubano, 130, was the winner over Young Walcott, 132, and Fighting Castle, 121, decisioned Jim (Spoiler) Mace, 121.

▶The Curacao Boxing Commissioners aren't acting according to the statutes. Boxers are fighting without licenses and the board even allowed a pro to fight an amateur.

BOXING IN JUAREZ

By Manuel Prieto

JUAREZ, BULL RING: Chebo Hernardez, 158, Juarez, was a victim of an upset at the hands of Joe Shaw, 158, New York, in the main event bout. Shaw was a very elusive target for the Juarez puncher.

Ramon Rodriguez, 126½, Juarez, won a unanimous decision over Joe Esquivel, 126, Mexicali, in the six-round semifinal bout.

Henry Gutierrez, 138, Deming, N. M., won a terrific fight over Marcelino Vargas, 135, El Paso. This six rounder stole the show, was a close one, but the blond boy from New Mexico was the harder hitter of the two.

Jack Flores, 147, El Paso, won by K.O. in the first over Carlos Montoya, 150, Juarez. Negro Calvera, 132, Zacatecas, won a decision over Sal Fierro, 128, Juarez.

▶JUAREZ MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM: Fili Nava, 128, Mexico City, won as he pleased over promising but green Babe Rodriguez, 128½, Juarez. Baby Rodriguez was outclassed by the elusive southpaw all the way. Nava scored a knockdown in the fifth, but never tried to finish the fight by a K.O.

Felipe Uribe, 129, El Paso, scored a K.O. in the 4th over Efren Heredia, 128, Chihuahua City.

Pete Melenez, 117, El Paso, won decision over Mario Ibarra, 114, Torreon, in four rounds. Kid Orizaba, 144, Mexico City, ruined the pro debut of Jake Martinez, 143, El Paso, former Golden Gloves champion, winning by decision in four rounds over Jake. Rafael "Zurdo" Vazquez, 142, Torreon, won decision in four rounds over Enrique Zubia, 146½, El Paso. Indio Torres, 128, El Paso, won by K.O. over Arnoldo Salinas, 127½, Juarez, in the third.

▶JUAREZ MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM: Gilberto Holguin, 145, El Paso, scored an easy victory by K.O. in the third over Al Boudreaux, 143, New Orleans, in the ten-round main event.

Ray Terrazas, 145, El Paso, won decision over Bobby Romero, 142, Juarez, in a dull six rounder.

Alfonso Mendoza, 124½, Juarez, punched his way to a unanimous decision over veteran Ramon Sosa, 122½, Juarez, in a six-round special event. Rogelio Cortes, 134, Juarez, won over Bobby Garcia, 133, El Paso, in four rounds, Cosme Rodriguez, 127, Juarez, scored a T.K.O. over Daniel Olivarez, 128, Juarez, in the fourth and last round.

▶JUAREZ MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM: Ezequiel "Chicles" Uribe, 138½, Mexico City, won over willing but crude Felix "Sapo" Ortega, 136, Mexicali. Ortega tried hard, but was no match for Uribe, who finally stopped his opponent in the ninth, a big cut over Ortega's right eye forced the doctor to stop the bout.

Felipe Uribe, 129, El Paso, won by T.K.O. over Hector "Ruso" Rodriguez, 127¼, Mexicali. The referee stopped the bout in the sixth, after a right cross opened a big cut over Rodriguez's left eyebrow.

WORLD CHAMPION HOGAN BASSEY

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effective counter punching.

Bassey again had the better of the fifth and in the sixth he opened a gash above Hamia's left eye. The seventh was Bassey's best round so far. He ripped inside Hamia's defenses and battered the Algerian's body. By the eighth, Hamia was displaying visible signs of tiring. He was dropping his guard and Bassey, shifting his attack from the body, scored wtih hard punches to the head.

Bassey continued his relentless assault in the ninth. Crowding Hamia to the ropes he punished the Algerian mercilessly. Hamia was a weary young man as he plodded to his corner.

Sensing that Hamia was fast nearing the end, Bassey cut loose with everything he had in the tenth. Swarming all over his opponent, Hogan slugged Hamia to the ropes and battered away savagely. Hamia, wilting rapidly, sagged against the ropes but instinctively clutched Bassey and both rivals went down together.

Gamely, Hamia managed to stagger to his feet, and tried to protect his battered face with his arms. The French referee, Rene Schemann, should have stopped the slaughter then, but he permitted it to continue. Bassey, a bundle of frenzied fury, rushed in again, both fists hammering away relentlessly at the helpless Hamia. As Cherif's legs buckled, and his eyes became glazed, the referee called a halt. Time of the round: 2.32.

SEEN & HEARD IN N. Y.

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Chiocca displayed very ordinary ability against DeCola, who was appearing in his first ten-round main event. Chiocca was too mechanical and colorless. His main assets were a fair left hook to the head and right counter to the body. He did well enough with them in the early rounds when DeCola seemed nervous and not too sure of himself. The Brooklyn youngster gained confidence as the bout progressed, however, and outboxed and outpunched the phlegmatic Frenchman in the closing sessions. Neither rival seemed in trouble at any time, and the only visible physical damage suffered was a slight cut over Chiocca's left eye, inflicted in the ninth round. In sixes, Iggy Maldonado, 129, Bronx, decisioned Prince Johnson, 126½, Trenton, N. J., and Mike Campbell, 158¾, Harlem, drew with Eddie Wright, 154½, Philadelphia. In fours, Lou Carabella, 128½, Brooklyn, won from Ruben Retemar, 124, Puerto Rico, and Johnny Bean, 124½, Brooklyn, divided honors with Jimmy Sanchez, 129½, Harlem.

▶With blood gushing out of an ugly gash above his left eye, and fearful that the bout would be stopped, Gale Kerwin, 142¾, Valley Stream, turned loose a desperate do-or-die outburst that swept him to a stunning victory over favored Tony DiBiase, 147½, Astoria, at 1:21 of the fifth at St. Nicholas Arena. It was in the fourth round that Kerwin's brow was ripped and the transplanted Canadian unleashed his wild assault. Battering his way through DiBiase's defense, he nailed the Brooklynite with a savage left swing that sent him crashing to the canvas. DiBiase was completely out but the bell saved him at the count of three. Tony was still unsteady when he came out for the fifth. Kerwin, continuing his furious onslaught, drove him into the ropes and belabored him with both hands. Out of the swirl of flying leather, blood poured from cuts over both of DiBiase's eyes. As Tony reeled away from the ropes, with Kerwin in frenzied pursuit. Referee Mark Conn halted hostilities. Bill Flamio, 144½, Bronx, outfought the veteran Phil Morizio, 146, Yorkville, in the semi-final six. Another six produced a decision for Freddie Mack, 171, Brooklyn, over Wilson Hannibal, 162¾, Harlem. In fours, Anthony Patie, 150½, Long Beach, won from Bobby Angelo, 149½, Brooklyn; Ernie Twine, 129½, Atlantic City, outfought Johnny Juliano, 128½, Stamford, Conn., and Larry Jones, 143½, Harlem, stopped Lew Velez, 150, Puerto Rico, at 0:27 of the fourth.

▶The outstanding feature of Germinal Ballerin, 160½, France, in taking a decision from spoiler Bob Provizzi, 154, Freeland, Pa., in a dull ten at St. Nicholas Arena, was the most luxuriant mustache seen in any ring since the days of John L. Sullivan and Peter Maher. As a fighter, Ballarin revealed fair boxing ability, some aggressiveness and a good left hand. His best punch seemed to be a left hook. The Frenchman, in his American debut, was something less than sensational, but is must be conceded that very few fighters can look good against Provizzi. The Pennsylvanian backtracked most of the way, fought in brief hit-and-run flurries, and clutched with a varied assortment of holds in the clinches. A slight cut over Provizzi's left eye was the only untoward development of a boring affair. Mickey Spataro, 125, Brooklyn, decisioned Richie Argo, 133½, Baltimore, in the semi-final six. Joey Mazon, 124, Tucson, Ariz., whipped Frankie Figaro, 128½, Puerto Rico, in another six. Three preliminary fours all ended in second-round knockouts, Guy Fatta, 128, Brooklyn, halting Billy Duclos, 126, Rochester, at 1:06; Eddie Bramlett, 172, Bronx, stopping Eddie Henderson, 167½, Jersey City, at 1:12, and Felix Machada, 147, Cuba, eliminating Johnny Young, 148, Elizabeth, N. J., at 1:54.

▶A free-swinging heavyweight brawl was short-lived at the St. Nicholas Arena when an ugly gash above the left eye of Fernando Fala, 200¾, Philadelphia, prompted Dr. Sam Swetnick, the club physician, to recommend halting the bout at the close of the second round, giving unbeaten Alex Miteff, 202½, Argentina, credit for a knockout and his tenth straight win as a professional. It was an exciting affair for the short time it lasted. Showing for the first time in a New York ring, and on TV, Fala started the first round with a furious rush that all but swept Miteff out of the ring. The Argentino quickly adjusted himself to the situation, however, and began scoring with lusty lefts to Fala's head and body. At the bell the Philadelphian seemed tired, but he came out with another rush in the second. In practically no time Miteff slowed him down with body smashes, and ripped open a cut above his left eye. Though he fought back, Fala absorbed heavy punishment and was a weary young man when the round ended. The blood was gushing from the rip over his eye, and Dr. Swetnick was justified in requesting the bout be stopped.

Eddie Lynch, 150, West Side, decisioned Benny Antonetti, 141, Puerto Rico, in the semi-final six. In other sixes, Juan Pomare, 162¼, West Side, edged out Eddie Dixon, 162½, Newark, and Jimmy Archer, 149, Bronx, whipped Bernie Haines, 145, Stamford, Conn. In fours, Billy Black, 191, Philadelphia, scored over Sylvester Garrison, 181½, Mount Vernon, and Sid Lugo, 137, Brooklyn, stopped Tito Galvan, 134½, Bronx, at 2:04 of the fourth.

STRATEGY

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nounced that the winner would meet Benny Leonard in a lightweight title match. Welling won. Two months later he faced Leonard.

Although Joe was a clever boxer, stiff puncher and ringwise campaigner, few of the so-called experts conceded him much of a chance against the great Leonard. Most of them picked Benny to score an early knockout.

Leonard didn't agree. We were laboring for the old New York Globe at the time, and one afternoon we hopped along to the Seaman brothers' gymnasium in the Bronx, where Benny was training. After the workout we talked things over.

"Welling isn't as soft as the sports writers seem to think," said Leonard. *"I'd rather fight almost any other lightweight in the world than Joe. He's not only a smart defensive boxer, and a hard guy to hit when he doesn't want to be hit, but he's loaded with annoying tricks that aren't obvious to the average spectator. When he jabs he moves in with his left foot and plunks the heel smack on your instep. Then, in clinches, he has ways of twisting and wrenching your arms. Another of his tricks in close is to jab the thumbs of his gloves into your biceps. A couple of rounds of that and your arms are heavy and sore. Believe me, this won't be a soft fight. I expect to win, but I'll have a tough time doing it."*

Benny was right. He needed all his brilliant craftmanship to wear Welling down and finally stop him in the fourteenth round.

There have been instances, of course, when supposedly "smart" fighters have out-smarted themselves.

During the mid-'20s we ambled along to Easton, Pa., to handle Paddy (Boo) Ryan, young Pittsburgh welterweight, against Joe Marks, a cagey old campaigner who'd fought all over the nation.

Before the bout we dropped into Marks' dressing room to watch him bandage his hands. Boxing commissions weren't too strict in those days, and there was no legal limit to the amount of tape a fighter used, so long as the opponent didn't object.

"Tell me when to quit," said Marks as he started taping.

"Use all you want," we assured him.

Joe looked at us as though we were Santa Claus. He must have used at least fifteen yards of white adhesive tape on each hand.

"Mind if I add a few strips of bicycle tape?" Marks asked.

"No, go ahead," we replied. Joe, probably grinning to himself, wrapped his already well-upholstered fists with a generous supply of the black, heavier stuff. If ever a fighter went into the ring with *"loaded"* weapons, it was Marks that night.

Our advice to Ryan before the bout started was simple. *"Don't bother trying to hit this guy on the chin,"* we said. *"Just bang away at his arms and shoulders."*

Dutifully, Paddy followed instruction. By the third round Marks could hardly lift his arms. They must have felt like tons of lead. Ryan went on to give him a thorough tanning.

Yes, indeed, there are times when "smartness" can be a handicap rather than a help to a fighter.

THE HEAVYWEIGHT SCENE

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ordinary background as a back-woodsman, he would make excellent copy for the ballyhoo artists.

While looking for a contender, the promoters may not have to go searching too far if this young man succeeds in rolling up a few more victories. But as at this stage, there is little over which the promoters might enthuse.

As Cus D'Amato, manager of Patterson pointed out to us at Floyd's training camp, *"We may have to do a Joe Louis stunt and go through a BUM OF THE MONTH schedule. We are being critcized by you fight experts and the public in general for matching Floyd with Peter Rademacher because he has never fought a pro contest, but in my opinion, Peter is better at this stage than were many of the boxers Louis was pitted against by Mike Jacobs. Yet no one attempted to dictate a policy to Jacobs.*

"Until such time as a good, outstanding heavyweight is developed, who we can be assured will enable us to obtain as much or more money than Jack Hurley has offered for the Patterson-Radamacher bout, $250,000—we will continue to accept such matches that we figure best for Floyd without yielding to those who have been running the International Boxing Club.

This is no Te Deum for boxing, no mass for the heavyweights. Things have been bad in the past, and always boxing came tumbling upstairs. There is a vitality about the game which carries it through vicissitudes unending. It's a lucky sport.

When Joe Louis retired, boxing appeared to be in a serious dilemma. To whom could the sport look to carry on as the new champion?

As it turned out, boxing achieved a big rally. Ezzard Charles became the champion. Then came the aged but colorful Joe Walcott, and after him, the sturdy, hard hitting Marciano.

Out of chaos came order. Out of lack of hope came a splendid picture, a prosperous era for boxing.

True, the current situation is much more complicated than the one which boxing faced when Louis retired.

The Federal Court decision on the IBC monopoly case is bound to throw the promotional side of boxing into quite a mess.

Jim Norris, head of the IBC, has been told that he cannot do this and he may not do that, with the result that with the Patterson-Jackson promotion, not one of the IBC, out of the way, Norris and his organization will take its time about going after another heavyweight fight.

The times are against the development of good boxers in its old quantities. Not too many youngsters are willing to go through the sometimes very long and onerous apprenticeship which is essential for the normal growth of a good fighter, granted that he has what it takes.

A kid can get on a truck and earn $100 a week come heat or cold. He very likely married early and has not only a wife but a child.

In a time of high cost of living, he is not equipped to gamble, to sit around waiting for his manager to make the right TV connections, and for himself to make the grade.

Thus, it becomes a contest between a sure thing and a possibility. The sure thing wins, nine times out of ten.

Time was when the possibility of getting into the big money lured the young fighter. The reward for success, especially among the heavies, was tremendous.

Now the young boxer will pass up the problematical for the natural and totally wholesome desire to go on eating, and being able to support his family.

There seems to be no foreseeable end to this condition.

And yet, as we all know, boxing always will come tumbling upstairs.

All of which brings us right back to where this all started. With the Patterson-Jackson fight out of the way, what now, who, where, and under which promotion?

DOWN ARIZONA WAY

By Al Fenn

ACTION IN PHOENIX—THE PHOENIX COLISEUM WAS THE scene of a fistic tiff between Zora Folley, 196, and Jeff Dyer, 207, Springfield, Mass. Zora used his complete repertoire, which includes the best left jab in the business, solid rights and hooks, but Dyer is tough, and used smothering tactics that made it difficult to get good shots in.

In the semifinal five-rounder, Alfredo Zuany, 22-year-old sharpie from Mexico, floored Ted (Big Bear) Hutchinson with a crisp left hook in the first round, and pounded out a close decision. Zuany weighed 187 to Hutchinson's 201. In another five, Manolito Elias, 122, of Phoenix, whacked at Ramon Sosa, 122, Juarez, for five rounds for an easy victory. Al Barraza, 144, Glendale, knocked out Pedro Perez, 145, El Paso, in the third round. Bud Davis, 172, made his pro debut a good one by disposing of Bobby Traywick, 173, Mesa, in 1:43 of the first. Davis, a formed Golden Glover, handled by Les Shumway, has lots of promise.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

ALTHOUGH the season officially closed in May, fight programs continued to be promoted with considerable success in many parts. There were several sensational bouts, such as the Bassey-Hamia fray for the World Feathers title, the Humez-Scortichini and the Gus Scholz-Peter Muller middleweight affairs. The last two, together with the kayoing of Mazzinghi by Andre Drille, helped to clear the air somewhat in the crowded middleweight section.

Louis Trochon has not fought up to expectations recently and is replaced by unbeaten Hans Wohlers of Germany, while Max Resch retained his high placing. Alphonse Halimi had a nasty shock in London against Jimmy Carson and Jose Ogazon lost a bout in Scotland.

Bob Stevens fought a draw with Martin Hansen in England and Jacques Prigent avenged a previous defeat by whipping Vince O'Kine. A further defeat by Jose Gonzales has slung Franco Cavicchi to the bottom of the heavyweight ladder, where he passes a couple of compatriots on the way up—Bozzano and De Persio, who have turned in some notable performances. Now for the individual results.

▶ **Milan,** Italy—It looked like curtains for Charles Humez at the big European title program staged at the Vigorelli Stadium. The Frenchman was way ahead of Italo Scortichini by the ninth round when a vicious left hook bounced on his chin and dropped him for "nine". Humez was still shaky when he regained his feet. That was Scortichini's sole chance of finishing the fight as winner, but he failed to meet the situation and Humez won the 15 round bout.

▶ Duilio Loi was in one of his retiring moods against Rudi Langer, German feathers king, and didn't open up until the ninth, when he dropped the Berliner for "eight". Loi won clearly over ten rounds.

Mino Bozzano wasted no finesse on the game but crude French heavy, Lucien Touzard, and lambasted the visitor to such good effect that the doctor halted the bout at the end of round three. Flavio Ciancarelli fouled so often against Gianni Zuddas—no slouch himself—that he was ruled out in the eighth session of their bantam clash and Salvatore Burruni nodded Pietrangeli in a flyweight six.

▶ **Naples,** Italy—Big Angelo Simeoli, 206, punched out a win over six rounds against Ezio Donaggio, 202.

At **Cagliari,** Piero Rollo stopped the Spanish bantam champion, Antonio Diaz, in eight rounds before a large crowd here. Fortunato Manca iced Frigeri in the eighth round of a lightie affair and Mario Faverani was stopped by Salvatore Boi in the fifth heat of a middles debate.

In a feathers scrap at **Sarzana,** Alberto Serti was declared winner in the tenth round by the disqualification of Aldo Pravisani but this result was later amended to a No Contest.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain—The Filipino, Tanny Campo, has certainly run the whole gamut of Spanish bantams. Here he disposed of Jose Luis Martinez in a good ten rounder and some days later went over to **Valencia** and withstood the powerhouse punching of Young Martin. The European champion went all out for a kayo but could not shift the visitor's feet from under him.

Martin won on points. In a supporting bout, Jose Hernandez scraped home points winner over Jose Caballero by the narrowest of margins in a lightie ten. Francesco Frances beat Bautista Navarro in a cruiser eight.

▶ **Gevena,** Switzerland—In a well-attended Franco-Italian program, Frenchmen came off second best. Annibale Omodei, blond lightweight flash from Brescia, proved too aggressive for Edouard Ptak and won hands down over ten while Vitantonio Lionetti pounded Ray Thunieres into defeat within two sessions of another lightie larrup.

▶ **Paris**—At the Salle Wagram, Henri Schmid threw an upset by outfighting formidable Jean Guerrard, already regarded as challenger for the French flyweight title, in a torrid ten. Abdelkader Azzouz, still going from strength to strength halted Pierre De Souza with a cut eye in the seventh heat of a bantam debate and Michel Lamora thumped out a good points win over game Ray Benard in a bantam eight.

At the Central, Rene Barriere outscored Marcel Barthel in a feathers ten and Migeon licked Jaccaud in a welter six.

▶ **Besancon,** France—Local welter star, Michel Lombardet, outclassed Roger Facqueur, awkward southpaw clouter, in a good ten and at **Coutances,** Roger Cappato, just out of military service, trimmed Alex Bollaert of Belgium in a bantam ten.

Gilbert Chapron stopped Leon Thuilliez in the third stanza of a cruiser clash. Henri Caillot won over Victor Sercu, Belgian welter, in eight rounds.

At **Toulouse,** Andre Gasperini easily defeated Jacques Delplace in a flyweight ten and Andre Jasse halted Mohamed Tarmoul in the second frame of a bantam slam.

▶ **Brussels,** Belgium—After a long absence, Jean Sneyers nipped through the ropes to re-assert his domination over national feathers. Pierre Cossemyns was as aggressive as ever but failed to catch up with the elusive and destructive "Angel of the Ring," who won neatly over ten rounds.

Jo Woussem lost his new lightweight title to Louis van Hoeck, a good little scrapper who has been around for some years. Van Hoeck stopped the champ in the eleventh round.

As reported last month, Alain Cherville defeated the Austrian heavy, Alois Senn but not by a kayo as stated. The fight was stopped during the sixth in Cherville's favor.

▶ **Rome,** Italy—On the same bill as the Marconi-Waterman fracas, reported last month, Gaetano De Lucia retained his newly-won lightie crown by defeating Mario Calcaterra over twelve rounds.

Sergio Caprari fought a terrific affair with the Spanish feathers champ, Manolo Garcia, and won narrowly on points over ten. Sciscian drew with Paulon in a middles six and Cossia stopped Giordanella in the third of a feathers bout.

At **Taranto**—Angelo Brisci forced Bruno Bernardinelli to retire in the fifth of a middles maul and Pietro Simonetti licked Pompeo Cicognani in a flyweight six.

At **Ancona**—Federico Scarponi won over Frenchman Rolland Roy in a good bantam ten and Germano Cavalieri showed his class by fighting a draw with highly-rated Mario Vecchiato in a lightweight eight.

▶ **Paris**—After riding on the crest of a wave, Manager Filipi seems to be striking nothing but snags these days. One by one his stars have lost the gilt edges on their gloves and the latest in the series was Seraphin Ferrer. The Algerian fought a courageous battle at the Palais des Sports against the American dynamo, Ralph Dupas, but was nowhere in the picture. After ten rounds which saw Dupas way ahead, a draw decision was given, a verdict which caused quite a scandal. Soured by this experience, Dupas threw up a prospective bout with Duillo Loi.

Two Spaniards rescued the program, Bobby Ros gained a well-earned decision over another Filipi fighter, Jo Ventaja in a lightweight eight and Fred Galiana, the Toledo Blade, stopped Marcel Dupre in seven rounds.

▶ **Brest,** France—Lahouari Godih aired his national lightweight laurels for the first time here in Brittany by defending them against modest Pierre Sarkissian, an Armenian from Paris. Godih won hands down over twelve rounds. Edouard Ptak knocked out a fellow Polack in the person of Tiodmir Zambujo, who was stretched on the boards during the third heat of another lightie larrup.

At **Blois**—Gilbert Chapron overcame his first dangerous foe when he stopped tough Michel Dinot in the fifth of a cruiser clash.

▶ **Lecco,** Italy—One of the busiest fighters in Europe is Duilio Loi, who turned in a good performance against the Portuguese welter king, Francisco "Chico" Santos. The visitor was beaten below his merit, being a fast and clever opponent. Loi treated him as dangerous and honored him with a knockout, something he reserves only for troublesome characters.

Altidoro Polidori outdistanced fiery Jose Cadalso in a good feathers ten and Colombo drew with Cavagna over six.

▶ **Bologna,** Italy—In his return clash with the Spanish pocket heavyweight Jose Gonzales, ex-champ Franco Cavicchi failed to gain his revenge. The Spaniard is a notoriously light hitter but stopped Cavicchi in their first meeting. On this occasion, Gonzales weathered the Italian's early attacks and boxed his way to a points lead, which he retained despite a late rally by the Bull of Emilia in the last two sessions.

Nobile won over Belotti in a feathers six, Walter Sarti stopped Semeraro in the second heat of a lightie engagement and Remo Carati edged out Aristide Dal Piaz in a middles eight. Ernesto Ballabio licked Conti in a welter eight and Giancarlo Brusa decisioned Ballarini in a middles six.

At **Galliate,** Franco Rizzotti returned to action by stopping Bardelloni in the eighth round of a welter slam.

▶ **Stuttgart,** Germany—There was a poor attendance at the Neckar Stadium open air show featuring Archie Moore, 187, and Gustav Scholz. Moore stopped Alain Cherville, 198, handing him a terrific shellacking until his seconds tossed in the sponge in the sixth round.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

MONTH ENDING JULY 22, 1957

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Gerhard Hecht (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Emilio Marconi (I)
2. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Hans Stretz (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)
3. William Besmanoff (G)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
4. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Wim Snoek (H)	Max Resch (G)	Valere Benedetto (F)
5. Hans Friedrich (G)	Artenio Calzavara (I)	Peter Muller (G)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)
6. Mario De Persio (I)	Charles Colin (F)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Umb. Vernaglione (I)
7. Mino Bozzano (I)	Sandro D'Ottavio (I)	Andre Drille (F)	Bruno Visintin (I)
8. Jose Gonzales (S)	Pedro Klyssen (H)	Leen Jansen (H)	Gunter Hase (G)
9. Alain Cherville (B)	Uwe Janssen (G)	Guido Mazzinghi (I)	Ben Buker II (S)
10. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Lahouari Godih (F)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Aristide Pozzali (I)
3. Felix Chiocca (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Robert Pollazon (F)
4. Hoacine Khalfi (F)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Andre Gasperini (F)
5. Fred Galiana (S)	Rudi Langer (G)	Piero Rollo (I)	Guy Schatt (F)
6. Piet v. Klaveren (H)	Altidoro Polidori (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Jose Ogazon (S)
7. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Jo Ventaja (F)	Gianni Zuddas (I)	Jean Guerrard (F)
8. Fernand Nollet (F)	Giordano Campari (I)	Robert Tartari (F)	Christian Marchand (F)
9. Guy Gracia (F)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Luis Romero (S)	Edgar Basel (G)
10. Bobby Ros (S)	Louis Poncy (F)	Dante Bini (F)	Francisco Carreno (S)

LEGEND: B Belgium; F France; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden.

Gus Scholz smashed Kid Gameiro to such good effect that Max Schmeling stopped the murder in the third. Edgar Basel debuted with a points win over six rounds against Mohamed Badji, not by a kayo as reported in our last issue.

Ulli Riter, 198, debuted with a decision over Hans Drabes, 209, over four rounds, and in a hard welter eight, Gerd Muller fought a draw with Helmut Hohmann.

▶ **Cagliari,** Italy—Duilio Loi won as he pleased over the Algerian, Ahcene Attar, in a lightweight ten while Gianni Zuddas did well to outscore the French toughie, Robert Tartari, in a good bantam ten.

Giusti stopped Romanesi with a cut eye in the third round of a feathers fray.

At **Florence,** Ivano Fontana looked good in decisioning the foxy American negro, Don Ellis, in a cruiser ten.

▶ **Selargius,** Italy—The promising welter comer, Fortunato Manca, remained true to his name against the Provence champion, Frank Youst, lambasting the experienced Frenchman. The fight was halted in the sixth round. Another Frenchman, Lou Mourros, was soundly whipped by Salvatore Boi in a good middles eight.

At **Viareggio,** Umberto Del Carlo won over Nino Manconi in the fourth round of a welter affair, ruled out for butting.

▶ **Rome**—The Italian cruiser champ, Artenio Calzavara, made his first appearance in the Eternal City, tangling with the veteran Belgian mulatto, Eli Elandon. In a monotonous ten-rounder, Calzavara walked off with the nod.

Two other Belgians met with defeat. Louis Debolster raised his hand in sign of surrender during the third frame of his heavies clash with Mario De Persio and Aime Mathys was knocked out in the sixth heat by Luigi Male after putting up a whale of a scrap.

Claudio Buniva avenged a previous defeat by whipping Aldo Chiesa in a middles eight and Caruso licked Beoni in a lightie six.

At **Foligno**—Franco Antonini trimmed Renato Beccaria in a lightie ten.

▶ **Paris**—At the Central, blond Andre Valignat punched out a solid points win over tough Robert Meunier.

At the Salle Wagram, Rene Barriere, who fights out of La Rochelle, somehow found himself fighting with a North African, Belaid "Moustique" Meslem, for the Parisian feathers title, which he won in ten-round points affair.

Abdelkader Azzouz defeated Delplace in a rugged bantam eight and Jean Guerrard regained the winning path by halting Alf Vaillant in the third session of another bantam clash.

At **Conflans**—Francois Lecreurer was given an unpopular hometown decision over Jacques Prigent in a welter ten.

▶ **Grosseto, Italy**—The latest heavyweight hope, Massimo Zanaboni, dubbed "Lion of the Maremma," was unable to put over a kayo against the modest Frenchman, Dante Lepercq, but won by a mile over six rounds. Don Baccheschi forced Guiliano Bianchi to retire in the third round of a cruiser clash and Bruno Bertini trimmed Alberto Scipioni in a bantam six.

At **Abano Terme**—Mario Vecchiatto whipped Ray Paini in a lightie ten and Bruno Ilagi drew with Dante Madella in a middles six. Antonio Pippa nodded Umberto Del Carlo in a middles six.

▶ **Paris**—At the Central, Emile Buccelato caused a mild stir by outscoring Jean Poisson in an excellent middles ten while at the Salle Wagram, in the last program of the season, Jacques Herbillon cemented his claims for a further shot at the French welter title. He shellacked Pierre Mondino in great style and stopped him in the fifth frame. Andrew Meyer licked Guy Alison in a welter eight.

▶ **Narbonne,** France—The French heavies title keeps changing hands. The holder, stocky Emile Vidal, sadly underestimated challenger Robert Duquesne, and in poor condition, he quit in the eleventh round. Vidal raised an arm in surrender.

At **Marseilles**—Gracieux Lamperti outscored Flavio Ciancarelli in a feathers ten and Giancarlo Brusa retired with a cut eye at the beginning of the eighth round of his middles bout with Claude Negrel.

▶ **Perigueux,** France—Edouard Ptak did well to defeat the clever Senegalese lightie, Morlay Kamara, before 2,000 fans here.

At **Abidjan,** in Darkest Africa—Louis Poncy battled Jules Touan, the Sable Slasher, for the vacant French feathers title. Up to the fourteenth round, Touan had an edge on the Parisian but Poncy refused to give up the ghost and so hammered the negro that Touan was obliged to retire.

Abd-el-Kader Azzouz, latest Algerian bantam sensation, is vacationing after scoring twelve straight victories (7 by kayo) in his first six months of professional fighting. Gaston Charles-Raymond, who piloted another Algerian, Robert Cohen, to world title, expects to repeat with Azzouz.

Francois Anewy outpointed Louis Trochon in a middles ten.

Ilde Warusfel, Flanders cruiser champ, fought a draw with Kaoume Yao over eight rounds. Six thousand attended the match.

▶ **Venice,** Italy—Two old foes of amateur days tangled here when big Bruno Scarabellin, known as the Hercules of the Lakes, battered towering Angelo Simeoli into defeat within three rounds. Bruno Ilagi decisioned Angelo Idi in a middles six and Ivan Tombolini beat Franco Zagami in a feathers six.

At **San Remo**—Germano Cavalieri whipped Staccini, French lightie, over eight and Letterio Petilli edged out a win over Vivier, French feather, also in eight. Cesare Bagnoli, debuting among the heavies, stopped Renzo Merlotti in the fourth session, for manifest inferiority.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain—A crowd of 15,000 fans collected at the Sports Palace to watch two great rivals, Fred Galiana and Jose Hernandez, fight it out. Galiana was in good form. In the sixth, Galiana smashed home a shattering right hook which spread-eagled Hernandez on the deck. Up at nine, he was in no condition to continue and was counted out.

Belarmino Fragoso, Portuguese feathers champ, won an unpopular decision over Jose Crespo in eight rounds and Francisco Carreno won handily over the Portuguese bantam champion, Sota, also in eight.

▶ **Dortmund,** Germany—One of blackest days in German fight history occurred at the Westphalia Hall, where Joe Bygraves met Heinz Neuhaus in the main spot. Karlheinz Bick was the tragic victim of unforeseen circumstances. He forfeited the German lightweight title some time ago and was given challenger's post against the new holder, Manfred Neuke, and for several rounds looked like a kayo winner. But Neuke recovered himself later on and pounded back. In the tenth, Bick raised his arm wearily in token of surrender, went to his corner and collapsed. He died later in hospital.

In the main bout, Joe Bygraves had an edge on Neuhaus but marred his performance with repeated infringements. During the sixth he dropped the Teuton with a palpably low blow and was disqualified.

Erich Walte slung a left to the jaw of Siegfried Burrow in the third frame of their welter discussion and the latter pitched to the floor, striking the back of his head on the boards. Burrow was also taken to hospital with concussion.

This would all made good reading for Dr. Summerskill.

The remaining bouts had a more usual outcome. Hans Friedrich, 205, stopped Max Marsille of Belgium in three and Uwe Janssen halted Albert Duscha, 175, in the second, whilst Laszlo Papp nodded Herbert Sowa in a middles four. Rolf Peters decisioned the novice, Friedhelm Krause, in a good middles six. Three thousand attended the program.

▶ **Thiene,** Italy—The Bad News from Trieste, Aldo Pravisani, had an easy canter against Pierre Stanzack in a feathers ten and Ivan Tombolini whipped Ciro Izzo in a lightie six.

At **Brescia**—Santo Amonti decisioned the French cruiser, Renzo Macor, over six.

At **Pisa**—Sergio Burchi disposed of Angelo Grego in the fifth of a cruiser clash and at **Modena,** Aldo Chiesa stopped Remo Carati with a cut eye in the fifth of a middles affair.

▶ **Paris**—A full house of 17,000 attended the Palais des Sports to see Cherif Hamia mix with Hogan Kid Bassey for the world title. It was the final blow for manager Filippi after a series of misfortunes but for Bassey it was the culmination of years of effort, always fighting a man the crowd was yelling for. The complete story is in another part of this book.

Italian experts who considered that Charlie Humez would be a pushover for their middles king, young Guido Mazzinghi, had another think after Guido had tangled with Andre Drille. The Basque, a scientific southpaw who had just won the French title from Lavoine, was on the attack continuously. Drille pressed home the attack during the tenth and floored the visitor. The ref began to count and Mazzinghi's corner slung in the towel.

Highly-touted Max Brianto received a flattering draw against roly-poly Maurice Mols in a heavyweight eight.

▶ **Paris**—At the Central, Andre Valignat knocked out Paul Roca in the second frame of a feathers fray and Moulay Sahraoui became the Parisian lightweight champion by decisioning Andre Henryet over ten.

At **Bourges**—Jean Guerrard stopped Pierre De Souza in the third of a bantam affair and Jean Debondant checked Roger Menotti in the seventh of a welter debate. Tony Garcia nodded Ali Oura in a lightweight eigth.

▶ **Hamburg,** Germany—The middles prospect, Max Resch, came through with an excellent win over George Roe of England after a great contest, watched by 3,500. The visitor proved to be something of an opportunist and caught the German with some hefty clouts in the early rounds. Resch finally got under way and dropped his man six times before the fight was stopped in the eighth.

Hans Wohlers remained unbeaten, edging out a close points win over the French toughie Jean Ruellet in a middles eight and Laszlo Papp had some difficulty in beating strong Gerhard Moll in a middles six.

Best fight of the card was between Manfred Hass, 155, and Hubert Bouye of France, 159, a torrid affair over six rounds won clearly by the ex-amateur star. Albert Westphal, 189, knocked out Hans Strelecki in two and Helmut Mistol stopped Armand Meyer of France in the second heat of a welter contest.

▶ **Milan,** Italy—Duilio Loi has met all the best lightweights in Europe, with a few welters thrown in, but reckons that the hardest right-handers to land on him were delivered by Piet van Klaveren. In their first meeting, the Dutch lad injured his knee and retired. On this occasion he went the limit. Loi won by a narrow margin.

Erwin Hack, German cruiser, subbed at the last minute against Mino Bozzano and paid the usual reckoning of substitutes, being stopped in the sixth after a good fight.

Altiooro Polidori fought another substitute, Stan Sobolak of France, and won hands down after ten rounds while Salvatore Burruni drew with Spano in a good flyweight six.

▶ **Berlin**—The Sports Palace was full with 9,000 fans when Gustav Scholz finally met up with Peter Muller for the latter's middleweight title. Scholz iced Black Peter in the third of a stormy slugging-bee. Muller went out like a real champ, he attacked Scholz right up to the last moment

Carlos Rocha, 198, went all out for a quick kayo against Hans Kalbfell, 202, but the latter weathered the tempest of blows and knocked out the Portuguese champion in the second.

Dieter Wemhoner copped a close nod over Herbert Soodmann in a middles six and Carmelo Beraza, Spanish welter, earned more than a draw with Horst Borzokowski, also over six. Heinz Sattler shared honors with Hans Ducree in a middles six and Edgar Basel outclassed Tahar Ben Hamed in a flyweight six.

That's all for this month. Readers interested in Continental boxing are invited to send three shillings or equivalent to this writer at 14 Brittany Rd., St. Leonards on Sea, Sussex, England. A copy of the Continental Boxing Guide will be sent by return post.

NO LONGER "UNKNOWN CHAMP"

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with mutterings of back and forth title exchanges in "*return bouts*" shifting from city to city, the fight proved their insinuations groundless. Brown was still lightweight kingpin when it was all over, and Zulueta was just another whipped challenger.

Likewise those who persist in belittling Brown as the "*forgotten*" champion should be informed that the New Orleans veteran made it nine victories in a row, spiced by six knockouts, when he turned back Zulueta. Brown is due much more credit than is being given him by the public.

A name like Joe Brown is the next thing to complete anonymity, and this psychological factor as much as anything else may account for the public disposition to dismiss the humbly named champion from the South as just a stand-in until a genuine titleholder comes along. A tale out of Brown's early years involving one of our smartest boxing men, George Gainford, long time Ray Robinson attache, illustrates how a commonplace name can create a false impression.

Back in 1949 a promising young lightweight out of New York's Harlem, Ike Jenkins, interested Gainford in his management. Gainford, a good judge of talent, liked what he saw of Ike in a couple of fights, and using his contacts, lined up a preliminary bout for him in Philadelphia, on a card featuring a lightweight title match between champion Ike Williams and Freddy Dawson.

Naturally Big George wanted to know who the opponent was, being well aware that out-of-town promoters often have lions lying in wait for unwary invaders.

"*You're fighting some guy named Joe Brown,*" Gainford was told.

"*Where's he from?*" was George's next query.

"*He's from some place down South,*" was the reassuring answer.

With a homespun name like Joe Brown he couldn't possibly be much more than a refugee from the cotton fields and canebrakes down in Dixie, assumed the astute New Yorker as he okayed the match.

Although a reference to the records of the time would have turned up some illuminating information on Brown, even then a three-year "pro" performer, with matches with such as Sandy Saddler and Johnny Bratton under his belt, the name of Joe Brown rang no bells in Gainford's recollection nor in that of his friends and associates.

Young Jenkins turned out to be little more than a sparmate for the seasoned "*sleeper*" from the South, who used him for target practice, as he coasted to a lop-sided six round decision.

JOEY NO LONGER AN UNKNOWN CHAMPION

Coming home from Philly on the train that evening, Gainford raged up and down the aisles calling down anathemas upon the heads of the Philadelphia outfit, who, when later berated for such double dealing, simply said, "*George, we were in the same boat as you. Who would ever suspect a guy from way down South named just plain Joe Brown of being that kind of an opponent?*"

It begins to appear that even the handicap of his homely handle isn't going to prevent Joe Brown from eventually gaining public esteem. The problem of gaining recognition has been made even more difficult for him by the lengthiness of his career and its up and down contour.

Like old Jersey Joe Walcott, who was also harassed by discouragement and burdened by a large family—Brown has four children—many of Brown's early fights were not indicative of his latent talent. The economic pressure of a horde of hungry mouths to feed can wreak considerable havoc with a fighter's record and this no doubt has been the case with Brown.

Admitting to thirty-one—New Orleans scribes and boxing people are inclined to up this figure considerably—Brown is a late arriving addition to Boxing's topliners. Whatever his age, it doesn't seem to bother him as he is apparently a late maturing type fighter, like Walcott, old Mike McTigue, Del Flanagan, flyweight champion Pascual Perez and others.

He is no "*TV slugger*" but understands what boxing is all about, and knows all the moves of the finished fighter. Add to this a telling punch, and Lightweight Joe Brown the "*Unknown Champion*" looks more and more like a real one as time goes by.

I. B. C.—LOSES FIGHT

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to sinister characters, and I doubt that the IBC would have found itself in its present predicament.

These have all been lacking in the organization.

With the edict of the court, one wonders now what the future will be on TV fights sponsorship.

Can the major networks, ABC, NBC continue to present their two shows a week, on Wednesday and Friday nights while dealing with individual promoters who are uncertain about shows they might want to stage, a condition that would require new negotiations for each show?

All major networks require as a rule a minimum of thirteen weeks contract for a program to enable a set date to be assigned and proper facilities arranged.

It won't be so easy for an independent promoter operating on a small scale. He hasn't the resources.

I look for fight shows in the near future to be held in TV studios, promoted directly by the television companies that can thus set up a monopoly far more spread than anything the IBC has thus far attempted.

We laughed when Mike Jacobs years ago remarked that we would be sitting in our living room and watching fights at home. What astute, wide-awake Mike also predicted, was that studio television is on its way and would within ten years become a reality.

We are rapidly approaching that time. The decree of Judge Ryan, I believe has hastened its consummation.

Judge Ryan's sweeping verdict, the strongest ever issued in a case involving sports, will definitely have its effect on world boxing.

ROY HARRIS

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holds several captive baby alligators. Root hogs, several fox hounds and coon dogs, a pit-fighting bulldog and two fighting roosters add to the menagerie.

There isn't another house close to his country home and the wide open spaces afford plenty of room for roadwork, with racoons, possums, armadillos, rabbits and wolves as companions. Once Roy took Tony Masciarelli, the Brooklyn light heavy, to Cut and Shoot for sparring sessions. Poor Tony, not used to the wilderness, got lost while doing his roadwork in the Big Thicket and helplessly wandered around, accompanied by snakes and whatnot, until they found him, a bewildered and shaken person.

They think they've got something good down in Texas, and they're quick to tell you. It's about time the Big State turned out another champion, the only two they've had being Jack Johnson, born in Galveston, who won the heavyweight title in 1908, and Lew Jenkins, out of Milburn and Sweetwater, and winner of the lightweight crown in 1940.

Vastly improved over what he was, though still far from being a polished fighter and perhaps a year away from his peak, Roy Harris nevertheless carries the equipment to go all the way, as fighters stack up in this era.

A sign on the outskirts of little Cut and Shoot announces that it is the "home of the future heavyweight champion of the world."

If you don't believe it and intend to voice your opinion, we suggest that, for reasons of good health, you don't cross that boundary.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By Bill Colbert

MINNEAPOLIS ASCENSION CLUB—Promoter Tommy Anderson, promoting weekly shows at the Ascension Club in Minneapolis, has been featuring local fighters and it is only a question of time until he will have an attraction that will click and enable him to move over to the Auditorium.

The four winners of last week's card were Joe Schmolze, Wayne Woomichil, Jerry Bailey and Ray Wells and looked good. Wells decisioned Leo Woods in a four rounder. Schmolze needs plenty of work to be back in good condition. Wayne Woomichil, Omaha heavyweight, needed a knockout to erase points piled up by Bill Graham of Chicago. Wayne finished Graham in the third round with a sweeping left hook and Jerry Bailey, local heavyweight, threw too many punches for Rico Brooks, Chicago, The complete card was as follows:

Joe Schmoize, 170, Minneapolis, knocked out Major Woodson, 163, Chicago (5).

Wayne Womochil, 192, Omaha, knocked out Billy Graham, 188, Chicago (3).

Jerry Bailey, 210, Minneapolis, decisioned Rico Brooks, 179, Chicago (4).

Ray Wells, 160, Minneapolis, decisioned Les Woods, 154. Chicago (4).

The fighting Harp Mike O'dowd, former middleweight champion, is sick with a heart attack. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery.

▶ Ascension Club, Minneapolis—Joe Schmolze 177, won a close decision over Willie Barnes Chicago, 180, but had to come from behind to win in six rounds. Jack Wagner, Morton, Minn. heavyweight, 195, show a lot of class in winning from Willie Dennis of Omaha. He erased a previous one round verdict.

Ray Wells, Minneapolis, gained more attention with a decision over Howard Lee, Chicago middleweight, in a six rounder. Wells needed a lot of body punches to win. Jerry Bailey, heavyweight from Minneapolis, also scored a win over Rico Brooks, Chicago, heavy in a good fight. He won a split decision.

▶ Max Clayton, well known boxing promoter, passed away from a heart attack. Max Clayton had among his fighters, Don Lee and Vince Foster. For Twenty-two years he promoted boxing and wrestling in Omaha, and the Northwest.

▶ Jimmy Waters, secretary of the Minnesota Commission, retired. Jim held the job for over twenty years. He will be Chairman of the Commission and George Barton, Minneapolis, will take over the secretary job.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

ALL THE BIG TALK OUT OF THE LONE STAR STATE at this time is centered around the illustrious son of Cut 'n Shoot, Roy Harris, and rightly so. A real sure nuff bonafide title contender now with victories over Charley Norkus, Joey Rowan, Bob Baker, and Willie Pastrano. Keep your eye on the cornbread kid from the Big Thicket, it's entirely possible he'll be wearing the crown now adorning the cranium of one Floyd Patterson in the not too distant future.

One of the brightest stars on the fistic horizon is Mickey Brown, the sensational 18 year old Houston middleweight. The Mick is nearing the 10 round stage, and is unbeaten in eleven pro outings.

Down Robstown way they're singing the praises of Oscar "Big Red" Ortegon. This tall, and very promising featherweight has won eleven straight fights since receiving his first pay as a scrapper, and has been a main eventer since his third pro start.

▶ Port Arthur, Texas, Paul Jorgensen, was the master all the way in beating Paul Smith of Denver, Colorado. Smith had a lot of heart, and tried hard but was outclassed. Jorgy scaled 126, Smith 130.

Ted Daley, 165, Houston, kayoed Sammy Williams, 156, Oklahoma City, in four; Willie Lee, 172, New Orleans, stopped Ennis Cheatham, 170, in four rounds; Ervin Chaline, 148, Lake Charles, won a four decision over Lawrence McGee, 148, New Orleans.

▶ Corpus Christi, Texas, Lauro Gonzales, Promoter. How good is Oscar Ortegon—that's what Corpus Christi fans are beginning to ask. Ortegon, who hails from nearby Robstown, beat Rudy Valdez in a 10 round thriller at the Sports Arena on the night of June 18th. Ortegon weighed 125, Valdez 122. 1,100 wildly cheering fans witnessed one of the best action cards in months. Jerry Fowler, 123, Flour Bluff, had tough Gustavo Carrera, 119, Brownsville down three times before stowing him away for keeps in 1:54 of round two. Juan "Lefty" Perez, 122, Corpus Christi, started fast but ran out of gas and was whipped in a five round bout by less experienced Elias "Gallito" Reyes, 126, Brownsville. In the six round semi-final, Bobby Garza, 141, Corpus Christi, hammered out a win over the rugged Mike Coronado, 141, Brownsville.

▶ El Paso, Texas, Harry Eagles, Promoter:—Young Mel Barker, the Manor Mauler, gave away a few pounds and considerable experience to the capable Milo Savage, and came out on the short end of a ten round decision. Savage weighed 156, Barker, 153. Alfredo Zuany, 188, Juarez, beat Austin's Johnny Hollins, 202, in six. Reynaldo Terrazas, 145, Juarez, decisioned Roy Sparks, 150, Austin, in six, and Henry Gutierrez, 132, kayoed Marcelino Vargas, 132, in the fifth.

▶ Dallas, Texas, Lew Gray, Promoter:—Reagan "Buddy" Turman, 184, Tyler and Dallas, came from behind to ice Tommy Fields, 191, Chicago, in the eighth round of a good heavyweight battle. Frank Lawson, 174, Dallas, beat Tommy Merrill, 168, New Jersey boy, in an eight. Kenny Shields, 138, whipped Henry Watson, 133, in eight. S. D. Moore, 187, kayoed Jimmy Van Sickle, 199, in three, and Elmore Henderson, 156. starched Carl Yarber, 150, in two.

▶ Houston, Texas, Texas Boxing Enterprises, Inc: Tanned from a month of outdoor training, Roy Harris, the pride of Cut 'n Shoot, won a convincing ten round decision from Willie Pastrano of New Orleans who was the third best heavyweight in the world at the time. The Texas heavyweight titleholder started fast, and it was evident from the beginning that the clever Pastrano would have his hands full. The flicking left jab employed by the Crescent City will-o-the-wisp was brushed aside quite often or the country boy would move in under the jab, and counter with right hand shots to the midsection and heart in the early rounds. The country boy was the much stronger fighter in close, and his jabs and hooks, tho not labeled TNT, jarred Pastrano to his toes on many occasions. Harris bled from a cut at the hairline from the third round, and from a cut above the left eye inflicted by a Pastrano hook in the sixth. However, from the seventh round on the superbly conditioned Harris began to come on stronger than ever, and Pastrano began to fade. That wrapped up the fight, Harris was the better puncher, he was much stronger, and just about as fast.

Some 10,000 patrons paid $46,962.50, with prices ranging from a $10.00 top, to $2.00 low. Referee Jimmy Webb tabbed Harris 97-96, Judges Ernie Taylor and Bill Cornelius both liked Harris 98-95. The weights were 190 for Harris, and 187 for Pastrano.

Mel Barker, 149, Manor, was too strong and big for Aldo Mente, 142, Niagara Falls, and came out the winner in a close ten round fight. It was a real action brawl, and the smaller Mente (he looked at least ten pounds lighter) made a hit as usual with his plucky stand when the odds were against him. Cleveland Williams, 207, Tampa, needed but 54 seconds of the initial round to deliver a left hook to the protruding jaw of Johnny Mason, 187, Austin. Roland LaStarza, 192, Bronx, was looking pretty sharp, but unfortunately he didn't get to show his wares long enough to be appreciated by the fans, as his opponent, Jimmy McMillan of New Jersey, 195, hurt his ankle in the second, and could not come out for the third round. LaStarza threw up his hands in despair when the referee awarded him the decision by virtue of a tkayo, the Bronx sharpie would have preferred the bout to continue. In the six round opener, Houston's blond bomber, George Peyton, 190, edged a good prospect in Dean Bogany, 178, also of Houston.

▶ Odds and Ends: Robert E. Lee, Billy DeFoe's outstanding young 150 pounder, left Houston Monday, July 1st, for a three year stint with Uncle Sam's Army. He had compiled an impressive record in the money ranks. . . Another who left for a tour with Uncle Sam is Roger Johnson, the Duluth, Minnesota middleweight, who had made a hit with Houston fight fans . . . Otho Sligar, veteran Houston welterweight, back in serious training under the direction of Perry Payne. . . . A new face at Roxy's Gym is Charley "El Gato" Saenz a club fighter deluxe who will be a welcome addition to the Texas prelim ranks. Saenz is a riot in action, asks no quarter and gives none. . . Contact the writer at 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

Leo Espinosa, 121, featherweight champion of the Philippines, retained his crown against Larry Bataan, 125, at the Coliseum. The decision was the most unpopular ever rendered in a championship in Manila. The champion was booed while receiving his championship belt. Only timely intervention of the police prevented the supporters of Larry making trouble inside the stadium.

The local manager of Larry, Justiniano Montano Jr. had filed a written protest to Malacanan against the officials of the Games and Amusements Board, who appointed the referee and judges. Larry has all the reason to protest as he proved to be the master of Leo in all angles.

Little Cezar, 118, and bantam titleholder of the Philippines, was dethroned by Arab Jr., 118, after 12 rounds. Cezar proved to be stronger but Arab was faster and hit his slow moving rival easily.

Vic Campo, 111, badly outpointed Young Aquino, 111, of Nueva Ecija in a slow 10 round bout.

Baby Brown, 124, halted tough Paulito Escarlan, 128, in the 9th round. Dio Cagulada, 125, won over Vic Fuentes, 125, in 8 rounds. Lucky Marcelo, 134, kayoed Ernesto Porto, 135, in the 3rd round. Joe Guevarra, 110, bested Leo Enoveso, 106, in 4. Flor Reyes, 127, and Flashy Pano, 124, drew in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Flash Menny, 120, defeated Avenger Jr., 119, in 8 rounds in Olongapo. Rocky Moises, 125, defeated Cagayan Boy, 118, in 8. Nestor Roy Sison, 116, lost to Nestor Checa, 116, in another 8 rounder.

▶ Puyas Boy, 124, kayoed Young Mitch, 136, in the 7th round in Tarlac, Tarlac. Terry Castro, 114, bested Little Nanny, 118, in 6. Kid San Rafael, 138, halted Flash Amber, 136, in the 2nd round. Young Ocampo, 112, kayoed Tiger Manny, 112, in the 3rd round.

▶ Gil Flores, 125, defeated Tenejeros Boy, 132, in 8 rounds in Camiling, Tarlac. Primo Corpuz, 128, drew with Leo Ricardo, 132, in 8. Lourdinez Jr., 111, bested Monte Cristo, 111, in 6. Johnny Sarmiento, 134, kayoed Johnny dela Pena, 130, in the very 1st round.

▶ Cris Miranda, 119, halted Frisco Concepcion, 118, in the 9th round in Olongapo, Zambales. Little Dommy, 111, drew with Al Reyes, 114, in 8. Leo Macalintal, 110, and Danny Rodinas, 118, drew in 8. Nestor Roy Sison, 111, halted Kid Salaysay, 110, in the 2nd round.

▶ The new law for total tax exemption of any world championship fight in Manila promoted by a Filipino or American in which a Filipino is a participant, was signed by President Carlos P. Garcia in the presence of Congressman Serafin Salvador, father of the bill; Memerto Besa, president of the Philippine Ex-Boxers Association (PEBA), Asst. Executive Secretary Mariano Yengco Jr., and the writer who represented "The Ring" and the Philippine Sportswriters Association.

This was the third law fathered by Congressman Salvador for the uplift of boxing in the country.

Congressman Salvador is now a candidate for reelection in the 2nd district of Rizal in this year's elections. The PSA had requested the writer to act as its representative in all political meetings from September to November without compensation just to help the man who has devoted most of his spare time for highest elevation of boxing in the Philippines.

BOXING IN THAILAND
By Hans Koslowski

THAI LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION OOMSUP LAEMFAHPHA won a split decision over fourth ranking world featherweight, Flash Elorde before a capacity crowd over 12 rounds in Tokyo. The referee had it five points to one for Flash and the judges, 6 to 3 and 3 to 2 respectively for the Thai lad. I gave it to the Thailander, 3 to 2.

Elorde will now face Thai feather king, Salika Sontrakit in Bangkok during this month.

Boxing is going over big again both in Tokyo and in Bangkok. Many good bantams and feathers are being developed.

Samart Sorndaeng, 148, Thailand welterweight, outpointed Japanese middleweight champion, Hatchiro Tatsumi, 152, in 10 rounds, of a hard fought battle. Leo Espinosa of the Philippines had too much experience and outpointed Pone Kingpetch, Thai flyweight in 12 rounds before a huge gathering.

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IOWA, SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By Bill Hawkins

PLANS TO BRING PROFESSIONAL BOXING BACK to Sioux City during the coming indoor season have nearly been completed. The boxing cards on a major scale will be held at the Sioux City auditorium.

▶ Terry Lewis, the former Heelan high and Morningside college athlete who won the Sioux City Golden Gloves heavyweight title in 1956 and was runnerup in the Chicago Tournament of Champions that year, took only 53 seconds to earn his sixth straight professional victory. Fighting at Yakima, Wash., the 244-pound Sioux City heavyweight prospect disposed of Joe Stover, 200, Kansas City, in the first round.

▶ Last Minute Sparks. . . . Boxers and managers wishing to show their wares in Sioux City this coming indoor season are urged to get in touch with the writer at once. . . . Mail your complete record and any other information to Bill Hawkins at 2600 South Roswell R. R. 2, Sioux City, Iowa. . . . Every letter will be given personal consideration.

▶ THE LAST BELL. Max Clayton, Omaha, Nebr., 61, well known midwest boxing and wrestling promoter, died of a heart ailment.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

YVON DURELLE WILL LONG BE REMEMBERED BY DETROIT AND national television fans for his sensational pier six bout with the highly touted **Tony Anthony, of** New York, at the Olympia Stadium before 3,000 fans. Although the fight was called a draw, many thought the New Brunswick Canadian was the victor. Durelle stood toe-to-toe with Anthony and took everything Tony could dish out and came back with more of his own.

The finish of Durelle in the last round when he had Anthony helpless with his hands down at his side was the finest seen here since 1950, when a local favorite named Jake LaMotta came from behind to stop Laurent Dauthuille in defense of his world's middleweight title.

Two excellent local welterweight prospects, Ted Wright and John Powell met in a special six rounder with Wright winning a split decision. It was Ted's thirteenth straight victory.

Billy Hunter, 188, Detroit, returned to action locally with a nod over Johnny Jenkins, 180¼, New York, in six; Ducky Pietz, 167½, Detroit, avenged an early KO, when he halted Chuck Church, 174, Saginaw, in the second; and Wilson Hannibal, 172, New York, iced Alford Cephus, 169¾, Dayton, Ohio, in the third.

▶ In conjunction with the annual centennial at Bay City, local advertising agent Jerry O'Dell turned boxing promoter and put on a lively show at the Saint Joseph Field House, but the response at the gate was meager.

Henry Hank, Detroit middleweight, made his first start in nine months against Leffie Walker, of Saginaw, in the feature eight rounder. It was the rubber meeting between the pair and after a good action bout the classy Hank received the nod for his 19th victory in 27 starts, of which one was a draw.

Jimmy Wright, Bay City lightheavy, won his fourth straight with a KO over Bill Clemmons in three, and Jimmy Myles outpointed Jim Miller in a four.

▶ Sharp punching Joey Giardello, leading middleweight contender from Philadelphia, proved to Joe Gray, of Dearborn, and local fans why he is just so at the State Fairgrounds Coliseum in Detroit. Giardello exhibited an excellent left hook and a sharp right cross in drubbing the game and likeable Gray.

In the fifth round Gray, taking a beating, slipped and injured his right hand and was not permitted to continue by the commission doctor and referee Johnny Weber.

Osse Groom, Al DeNapoli's prize heavyweight, had to come from behind to keep his winning streak intact at four straight at the expense of Felix Antonio, of Dayton. Antonio spotted Groom over twenty pounds, but traded punch for punch with the Detroiter until clipped with a solid one-two combination in the fourth round and was unable to beat the count.

Bob "Ducky" Dietz, Detroit lightheavy, made it four KO's in five starts when he halted Young Sam Langford in twenty seconds of the first round. Ducky came out at the bell and landed a terrific left hook to end it all for his opponent in rapid fashion.

Clarence Riley and Floyd Brooks, a couple of Detroit middleweights, put on a lively tussle with the former winning by KO in the fifth. Jesse Fagin, Detroit middleweight, bested Hal Chapman, stablemate of Giardello, in the opener.

SWINGS AND HOOKS FROM OHIO
By Less Huffman

ENGENE TUFF, WHO WAS ONE OF THE BEST AMATEUR FIGHTERS here in Columbus, is making a name for himself in the service. Tuff outpointed Benito Calvi of Italy to win the Conseil International Du Sport Milataire Tournament which was recently held in Munich, Germany. Tuff represented the South Side Settlement House while in the amateurs here in Columbus. Tuff has won 27 fights without one loss checked against him while in the service.

▶ Joey Benson, Columbus bantamweight, is back in Columbus from the West Coast where he met about all of the best in his division.

Nick Turner, former Golden Gloves middleweight champion, has won eight out of ten bouts since turning pro. Turner is now a heavyweight.

▶ Send all notes pertaining to boxing to the writer, P. O. Box 611, Station G, Columbus, Ohio, by the first of the month.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

Garvin Sawyer, Cincinnati heavyweight, leads the pack of the few professional boxers representing this neck of the woods. At Arnold, Pa., Sawyer defeated Henry Hall of Milwaukee in 10 rounds to erase a former defeat the Wisconsin heavy scored.

Cincinnati hasn't had a boxing show in almost two years. How come? You guess why—television. Sam Blacker can't get any and without it, he can't stage a natural worthwhile show.

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IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

BOBBY BOYD, CHICAGO'S RANKING MIDDLEWEIGHT CONTENDER, won a ten round decision over Rocky Castellani at the Chicago Stadium. The decision was not a popular one, as Rocky made Boyd look pretty awkward in spots, making the lanky Chicagoan miss his shots on many an occasion. Rocky's inability to lead cost him the decision.

The bout, a nationally televised affair was presented by the International Boxing Club. In the prelims, Ernest Buford, 154, stopped Jim Hegerle, 155, St. Paul, in the first round. Lee Moore, 207, Chicago, stopped Norm Bolden, 195, in the opening round. Ernest Terrell, 189, Chicago, kayoed Andy Bond, 192, in one heat. Johnny Gray, 199, Chicago, beat Sonny Ray, 181, in a hard fought six spot. Soloman Boysaw, 134, Cleveland, Ohio, defeated Don Ward, 136, Chicago, in another spirited six round affair.

▶ The Chicago Stadium headed by Truman Gibson announced the big arena will continue to hold major boxing shows for the rest of the summer season.

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UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

NILO BLANCO SATISFIED HIMSELF WITH A 10 ROUND decision over Juan Tejada at Tampa. Loser in their first tilt in the same city a few weeks ago, the 147 pound Cuban scored a close but unanimous nod over the boy from Barcelona, Spain.

Miguel Napoles, of Cuba, knocked out Flash Jenkins, of South Carolina, in the fifth round of an interesting bout. The winner at 173, and the loser, two pounds heavier. Claude Williams, 158, Tampa, won an eight-semi over Tommy Fields, 158, Philadelphia. Bobby Lee Hicks, 156, Tampa, TKOed Sun City Flash, 165, of Sun City, Florida. Gene Wiley, 124, Tampa, grabbed a four from Eddie Freeman, 122, Sun City.

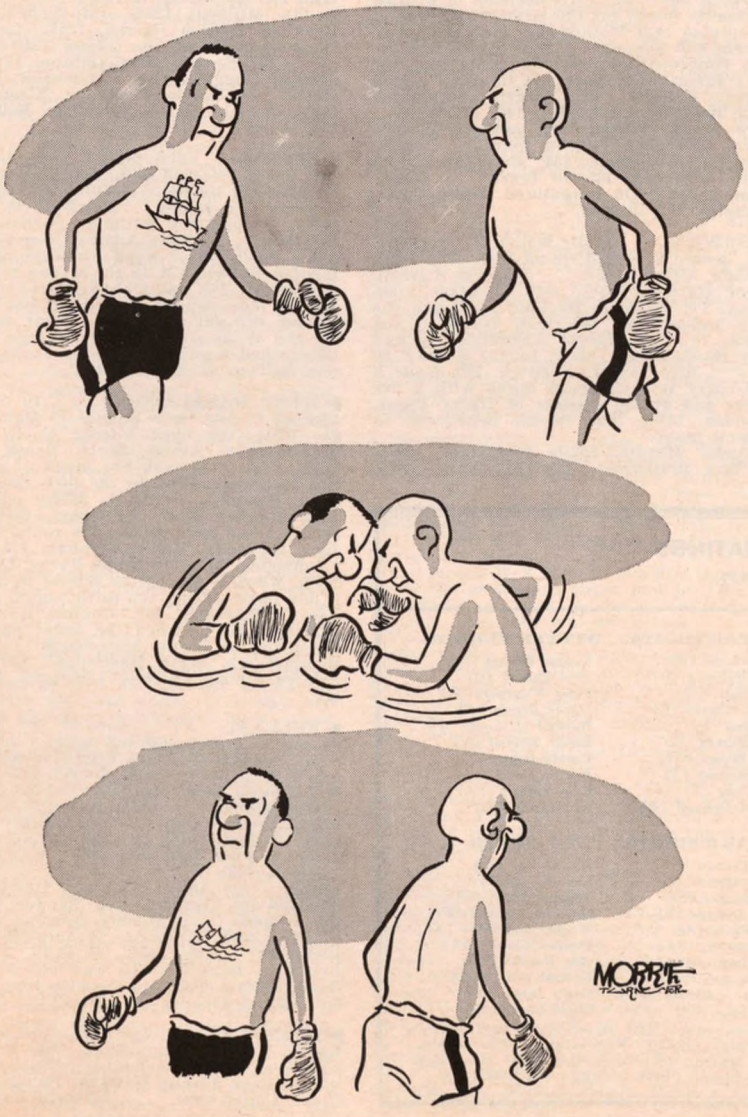
Gil Turner landed the decision but landed in the hospital after his nationally televised bout with Yama Bahama at Miami Beach. A broken blood vessel caused a swelling from temple to temple during the course of the bout, which was hard fought and resulted in a split call.

John Tombley, 140½, Hialeah, was held to a draw in the eight-semi, by Johnny O'Brien, 139½, of West Palm Beach. Don Horner, 152, Miami, was held even in six by Tony Montana, 150½, of Phoenix. Mike Shapiro, recent Ring Magazine Best Prospect, won a four from Billy Grissom, 126½, Miami. Mike, 122, is a Miami Beach boy. Hymie Budow, 129¼, took a four from Duane Simpson, 134½, Miami.

▶ Boxing for the season has closed at Fort Lauderdale where Glenn (Shep) Shepperd did a bang-up job of staging wonderful shows for his clientele. Glenn didn't make money but he made a heap of people happy and boxing-conscious in his lovely city and we feel sure the next season is going to do right by that true sportsman. The column here stands to say the splendid cooperation by Shepperd and the Fort Lauderdale Boxing Commission given us is unsurpassed in our 19 years with The Ring Magazine. Matter of fact we wondered time and time again which of the two, Promoter Shepperd or Chairman of the Boxing Commission Joseph A. Doumar in collaboration with Executive Secretary Wiliam McMillan, would have the fight results and clippings in first. Dead tie, it would be. These gentlemen know the value of publicity in The Ring Magazine and their regard of the shows and the fighters mentionings in The Boxing Bible. Miami Beach and Tampa should note.

RINGSIDE RUMBLES. . . . Pat O'Malley did a swell job in winner Larry Baker's corner in the fight with Gaspar Ortega. . . . A big pro bout for Jacksonville may be arranged later if a nationally televised go falls offside. . . . News-stands in Jacksonville communities find it difficult to obtain Ring Magazine because of its quick-selling. . . . Our little nephew, Neil, Jr., and Pat Corrado each have subscribed for The Ring and without a doubt Nat Fleisher's youngest followers.

▶ Bobby Lane finished the night for Chester Mieszala in the sixth round and ended the fight season for Promoter Glenn Shepperd at Fort Lauderdale. On the short end of points for four rounds in which Mieszala scored well with looping rights to the jaw and shaking his man several times, the tide changed for Lane in the sixth. Lefts and rights left Mieszala in a state where he seemingly was unable to defend himself and there Referee Petey Sarron stepped in to halt the punishment. Bobby tipped 165, and his game and trying foe weighed a pound more. Chester is a Chicagoan and Bobby, Miamian.



In a good Semi, Bo Willis, 186, Miami, didn't mind the big opponent he had to contend with. Jim Tillman, 229, of Miami, did allright until he ran out of gas and was kayoed in the fourth. Yogi Oberra, 125, Oakland Park, drew in four rounds with Rod Campbell, 125, Fort Lauderdale, in the best of the prelim bouts. Ray Sheppard, 152, Miami, won a four round decision from Henry Hancock, 155, Oakland Park. Francis McCrink, 129½, Miami, took a four from Lenny Blackburn, 125, Oakland Park. James Thomas, 162, Miami, won a four from Tooley Sawyer, 152, Miami.

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BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
By Jack Levinson

VIRGIL AKINS OF ST. LOUIS AND WALTER BYARS OF BOSTON, were featured in a special card at the Norfolk Arena at which 2179 fans were present, and Akins won an unpopular decision. Referee Paddy Mills had it 99-96 for the St. Louisian; Judge Charles E. Ford, 96-94 for Akins and Judge Johnny Burton, favored Akins, 99-96. My card agreed with the verdict.

Waban Thomas, 215, Charlotte, N. C., won the unanimous decision over Buddy Keener, 205, Baltimore, Md. Jimmy Carter, 144, Charlotte, N. C., scored a TKO win over Don Braun, 140, Baltimore, in the fifth. Jack Russell, 150, Washington, D. C., scored a second K.O. over Bill Godfrey, 151, Charlotte, N. C. Hank Jones, 145, Washington, D. C., scored a K.O. in 5 over Ernest Stephney, 140, Norfolk, Va.

▶ Roanoke's PAL boxers captured major honors in the state AAU Golden Gloves tournament held before 1039 fans at the American Legion Auditorium, in Roanoke. The winning Roanoke team, under the guidance of Emmett Jacobs and Detective Paul Vest, racked up 67 points, and 10 titles. The outstanding boxer trophy was won by Charley Salomone, 126, from Richmond, who is now with the Marines at Camp LeJeune, N. C.

BOXING IN THE CAROLINAS
By Chris Cline

THERE WAS ONLY ONE BOXING SHOW STAGED DURING THE PAST month, and that one at Florence again saw Richard Kelly fail to crack the big time. The hard punching Florence middleweight was stopped in 2.55 of the fourth round by Mexican Chebo Hernandez after an even fight up till a flurry of punches put Kelly down and out. Hernandez, from Juarez, tipped the beam at 159, one pound heavier than the local lad.

In the semi-final hard hitting Ray Lancaster, 135, Spartanburg, outclassed game Buck Earnhardt, 133, Spartanburg.

NORTH LOUISIANA KNOCKOUTS
By Bill McIntyre

SHREVEPORT — Barksdale AFB's Paul Daniel, a vastly-improved heavyweight since his second round TKO at the hands of Buddy Turman 10 months ago but one who still needs polishing, plodded and left-hooked his way to a 10 round split decision over veteran George Abinet of Dallas, in the headline match of an outdoor professional card promoted by Gladden Harrison at Texas League Park.

Daniel weighed in at a hefty 217 pounds to Abinet's 203.

Results of the three 6-round preliminaries saw Jim Rankin, 127, Shreveport, knock out Calvin Carney, 127, Dallas, at 1:40 of the first chapter; J. D. Marshall, 212, Shreveport, flatten Bill Cunnigan, 187, Fort Worth, at 1:10 of the first heat; and Jesse Goins, 141, Monroe, split-decision Henry Watson, 137, Dallas, in a hit-and-run affair.

James Singleton, 130, Shreveport, TKO'd Blanche Wilson, Jr., 130, Baton Rouge, after 1:45 of the third round. Wilson was dropped once in each of the first and second cantos before retiring for good in the third.

▶ HOOKS AND JABS—Sherman Roberts, the Louisiana Golden Gloves welterweight champion, and Bitsey Beecher, a New Orleans amateur veteran of more than 145 fights, are both planning to turn professional in Shreveport rings in the near future. . . . The little town of Cotton Valley has emerged with two great heavyweight prospects—Kenneth Gray, the North Louisiana GG champ, and Jerry Slack, a knockout artist with a rock-fibred build.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

HARRINGAY. . . . Dave Charnley, 134½, British Lightweight Champion, rose to the occasion when he met his first American opponent Johnny Gonsalves, 136½, of Oakland, Cal. in what was to have been a ten rounds bout. When the gong sent them on their way, it was The Britisher who set the pace, forcing the American to the ropes and scoring with rights to the head and left swings to the body. In the eighth round, with Charnley in front on points, he forced Gonsalves to the ropes with a two-handed barrage to the head and body. . . . On emerging from a clinch, The American was seen to be suffering from a badly cut eye, and on inspection, referee Tommy Little stopped the contest in Charnley's favor. Charnley was ahead on points.

JIMMY CARSON, the rangy Belfast Bantam, came to London to take part in his thirteenth professional contest, with World Bantamweight Champion Alphonse Halimi of Algiers as his opponent. Both scaled inside 120 and the Irish Lad, a 1 to 5 underdog. It was the champion's first contest since he defeated Mario D'Agata for the title, and he went about it at the start of the first round, as if it was just a workout trying for him. But the more Halimi forced the pace, the more Carson slipped his dangerous hooks, scoring on the retreat with a snappy left hand and right hooks to the champion's head.

During the eighth session, Carson fought furiously, causing further damage to an injured right eye and during the interval between rounds his seconds worked hard to stop the flow of blood. This they succeeded, but when the cut was further damaged in the ninth round, Referee Jack Hart stepped in and led Halimi to his corner, and declaring Jimmy Carson the winner.

Terry Downes, Paddington, 160, was too forceful for Alan Dean, Birkenhead, 158½, and referee Eddie McGuire stopped the bout in the fourth to save a game man unnecessary punishment. . . . Dick Tiger, Nigeria, 160¼, stopped Mario Dori, France, 159, in the seventh round. . . . Lew Lazar, Aldgate, 158½, and Paddy Delargey, Ireland, 161½, renewed their conflict after a draw in their previous bout. On this occasion, Lazar eked out a popular win on points after another thrilling bout over eight rounds. . . . An unusual incident arose in the Terry Spinks, Canning Town, 113¼, and Gerry Parker, Beeston, 114¼, bout. Both boxers received cuts over the eyes in the second round and referee Eddie Maguire gave the lads' seconds another round to see if they could stop the flow of blood. During the third round, both lads were in the same position as before. He therefore stopped the contest and declared Spinks THE WINNER.

The action of the referee was correct, as according to the rules—"IF BOTH BOXERS ARE NOT FIT TO CONTINUE, THE REFEREE HAS THE RIGHT TO STOP THE BOUT AND NAME THE BOXER LEADING ON POINTS AS THE WINNER."

Ron Redrup, West Ham, 170, was a clear points winner over Redverse Sangoe, Cardiff, 182½, in six. . . . Barrie Smith, Dartford, 126, stopped Terry Rees, Catford, 127, in the sixth and last round.

▶ LEITH. . . . John "Cowboy" McCormack, Glasgow, 159¼, made it six in a row since he entered the professional ranks. Bonny Garroway, British Guiana, 161, tried hard to stem the tide, but to no avail. Referee Jake Kilrain stopped the contest to save a game lad from further punishment.

Tommy McGinness, Edinburgh, 135½, stopped Tony McGrorey, Greenock, 132, in the third. . . . Dave Mooney, Wishaw, 175¼, knocked out Jim Teesdale, Middlesborough, 176, in the third. . . . The Battle of Knockdowns, could be the headlines of the bout between Roy Alway, Halifax, 146¼, and Walter Black, Edinburgh, 144¾. In the first round Black was down for six, and then in the fourth for eight, before taking the full count. It all seems quite in order, BUT what was the referee thinking about in the first two rounds when he allowed Alway, although he proved the winner, to take TWELVE COUNTS. . . . Bobby Coote, Glasgow, 129, stopped Johnny Neary, Huddersfield, 130¾, in the third.

▶ LIVERPOOL. . . . Leo Molloy, Birkenhead, 143½, and Paul King, Torquay, 147, battled furiously for eight rounds with the referee unable to part them. His decision of a draw was loudly booed for the large crowd was of the opinion that Molloy had done enough to warrant full honors. . . . Dave Croll, Dundee, 127½, confirmed his previous points win over Percy James, Southport, 130, in six. . . . Don Martin, Formby, 142, clearly outpointed Gerry Bedford, Pontefract, 146, in six. . . . Gerry Jones, Wigan, 119, outpointed Lew Devro, Liverpool, 119, in four. . . . Billy Anderson, Liverpool, 133, outpointed Ken Scott, Gateshead, 135, in four. . . . Henry Dolan, Salford, 116, outpointed Bobby Davis, Lancaster, 112, in four.

▶ NORWICH. . . . Eddie Williams, Tredegar, 154¾, scored a second round K.O. over Tony Ratcliffe, Bristol, 158. . . . George Carroll, Covent Garden, 125½, was in great form against Terry Toole, Hackney, 124, and the latter suffered by the K.O. route in the second. . . . Len Harvey, Cardiff, 125½, and Peter Reed, Reach, 125½, fought a draw in six. . . . Roy Taylor, Norwich, 130, made a good entry into the paid ranks with a five rounds win at the expense of Harry Vigor, Battersea, 131½. The referee intervened in Taylor's favor.

Maurice Murfitt, Little Downham, 132½, and Ron Bradstreet, Kentish Town, 137½, drew in six. . . . Johnny Melfah, Ghana, 143½, stopped Jimmy Moss, Covent Garden, 143½, in the fifth. . . . Bob Shillingford, Romford, 152¼, outpointed Bob Clarke, Norwich, 151¼, in a hard fought six.

▶ DUDLEY. . . . Promoter Lew Phillips, of Birmingham, broke new ground when he staged his first show at The Dudley Hippodrome. Ray Corbett, Birmingham, 145, and Mick Leahy, Coventry, 143¾, proved a good attraction, also a very good bout that had the fans craving for more after the hectic eight rounds. Both boxers were rewarded with a shower of money from the satisfied fight fans. . . . George Roe, Wolverhampton, 158¾, knocked out Teddy Barrow, Swansea, 156½, in the second. . . . Mickey Driscoll, Brierley Hill, 134½, was fortunate to receive the full honors at the end of his eight round bout with Barney Beale, Lambeth, 134½. . . . Con. Mount Bassey, Jamaica, 128¼, gained a points win over Andy Doherty, Belfast, 128, in six. . . . Harry Edwards, Smethwick, 137, stopped Johnny Blane, Belfast, 137, in the fourth.

▶ WEMBLEY. . . . Billy Wadham, Tottenham, 147½, showed exceptional good form to punish, then K.O. with a snappy right to the jaw, Joe Cerroni, Italy, 146, in the fifth. . . . Dennis Booty, Covent Garden, 160½, made it six in a row when he stopped Billy Collins, Stepney, 158¾, in the second. . . . Tommy Tagoe, Ghana, 150½, stopped Ron Garnett, Earlsfield, 158¾, in the fourth.

Jackie Collier, Stepney, 129¼, stopped Roy Hill, Fulham, 129¾, in the third. . . . Arthur Devlin, Millwall, 125¾, outpunched Wallace Boodhoo, British Guiana, 123¼, for almost six rounds before the referee called a halt. . . . Cliff Brown, Northampton, 141¼, outpointed Duggie Johnson, Glasgow, 141¾, in six. . . . Charlie Fordham, Kings Cross, 148½, outpointed Don Symonds, Bellingham, 150, in six.

▶ BELFAST . . . Jim "Spike" McCormick, Belfast, 133¾, received a big shock when he was knocked out by Peter Cobblah, Ghana, 137, in the very first round. . . . Don Doherty, Belfast, 146½, stopped Tex Williams, Carlisle, 147, in the third. . . . Billy Adams, Newcastle, 128, did a good job of work by stopping Harry Hunter, Belfast, 123, in the second round. . . . Al Thomas, 134, and Danny Hatton, 138, both Belfast lads, fought a thrilling bout, before Hatton ran out of gas, the latter retired at the end of the sixth. . . . Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 128, gained a points win over Jackie Davidson, Belfast, 131¼, in eight.

▶ WEST HARTLEPOOL. . . . In trying to concede twenty-three pounds to Manuel Burgo, 195½, the hard hitting North Shields heavyweight, Albert Scott, South Africa, 172½, found the task too much of a handicap and was halted in the fifth round. . . . Alan Pompey, Trinidad, 205¾, outpointed Alan Hands, West Hartlepool, 194½, in a thrilling and hard hitting six round bout. . . . Jack Richards, Middlesborough, 125, gained a convicing win over Eddie Burns, Liverpool, 124¾, when he forced the referee to intervene in his favor during the third round. . . . Ron Batey, Newcastle, 161, stopped Roy Lewis, Trinidad, 162½, when the latter received a badly cut eye, in the first round. . . . Johnny Bamborough, West Hartlepool, 129½, outpointed Jimmy Cottrell, Liverpool, 137¾, in six.

▶ BELFAST. . . . Another of Belfast's promising boxers suffered defeat via the kayo route. Gil O'Neill, 128½, with nine wins to his credit as a professional, looked like making it ten, but a hard right from the fist of Derek Clarke, Manchester, 135¼, put paid to all that in the third round. . . . Jim "Spike" McCormick, Belfast, 134½, recovered from his K.O. defeat a week ago, to score a K.O. over Al Thomas, 135, in 1. min. 15 sec.. of the first round. . . . Andy Docherty, Derry, 128¼, knocked out Trevor Martin, Bangor, 129¼, in the second. . . . Tommy Armour, Belfast, 107, was very impressive in outpointing Jim Loughrey, Derry, 115¾, in eight. . . . Jim Loughins, Belfast, 138½, was beaten by Ray Bond, Belfast, 136½, in the fifth round, when he received a badly cut eye.

▶ LEICESTER. . . . It was but a shadow of The Randy Turpin, Leamington, that we knew, who went forth to defend his Cruiser-weight title against Arthur Howard, Islington, in a fifteen round bout. . . . Howard had every

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(TO JULY 21, 1957)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Joe Erskine (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Pat McAteer (E)	George Barnes (A)
2. Joe Bygraves (J)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Yama Bahama (B)	Attu Clottey (G)
3. Kitione Lave (To)	Johnny Halifihi (To)	Mike Holt (SA)	Peter Waterman (E)
4. Dick Richardson (W)	Johnny Sullivan (E)	Martin Hansen (E)	Darby Brown (A)
5. Henry Cooper (E)	Randy Turpin (E)	Les Allen (E)	Boswell St. Louis (T)
6. Brian London (E)	Arthur Howard (E)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Sandy Manuel (N)
7. Tom Hini (F)	Albert Finch (E)	Barry Brown (NZ)	Gerald Gray (J)
8. Peter Bates (E)	Sammy Langford (N)	Clive Stewart (A)	Hector Constance (T)
9. Alan Williams (A)	Gordon Wallace (C)	Dick Tiger (N)	Evie Vorster (SA)
10. Manuel Burgo (E)	Tommy DuPreez (SA)	Billy McDonnell (A)	Al Brown (BG)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Willie Toweel (SA)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Peter Keenan (S)	Dai Dower (W)
2. Dave Charnley (E)	Jimmy Brown (I)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Len Reece (W)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Percy Lewis (T)	John Smillie (S)	Frankie Jones (S)
4. Max Carlos (A)	Elijah Mokone (SA)	George Dormer (E)	Malcolm McLeod (E)
5. George Bracken (A)	Bobby Neill (S)	Dick White (A)	Warner Batchelor (A)
6. Jason Radebe (SA)	Ayree Jackson (G)	Peter Moledi (SA)	Dennis Adams (SA)
7. Sammy Bonnici (M)	Charley Hill (S)	Louis Joshua (SA)	Ado Garuba (G)
8. Paddy Graham (I)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Chic Brogan (S)	Ezekial Schole (SA)
9. Quintin Pitt (N)	Kimpo Amarfio (G)	Graham v.d.Walt (SA)	Gerry Jooste (SA)
10. Joe Lucy (E)	George Dormer (E)	Pat Supple (C)	Lloyd Gordon (C)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (B) Barbadoes; (BE) Bermuda; (BG) British Guiana; (BH) British Honduras; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (GC) Gold Coast; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

chance to score a kayo over Turpin, for in rounds five, twelve and thirteen, he had the crown all but won. The impestuousness of the challenger cost him the championship. There is no doubt that Turpin was the winner on points, but when it comes to the Turpin Camp challenging for World's Titular Honors, Randy will have to show more power to be able to take a punch and remain perpendicular.

Freddie Cross, Nuneaton, 162½, defeated Peter Longo, Covent Garden, 160¼, in the fourth round, the referee intervening after Longo had received a badly cut eye. . . . George Aldridge, Market Harborough, 166¼, defeated Jackie Scott, Preston, 168, in the sixth, the referee ruled out the Preston battler for persistent holding. . . . Peter Goldie, Todmorton, 163, stopped Jacob Dempsey, Antigua, 156¼, in the second.

Dave George, Luton, 148¼, outpointed Roy Always, Halifax, 147½, in six. . . . Jack Whittaker, Warwick, 166¼, punched too hard for Harry Harvey, Leicester, 168. The referee stopped the bout in the third. . . . Colin Moore, Derby, 138, knocked out Roland Moss, Market Harborough, 132, in the second. . . . Ted Williams, Huddersfield, 178, stopped Stan Davies, Corby, 189¾, in the fourth.

▶ STREATHAM. . . . Martin Hansen, Liverpool, 162½, conceded 14 pounds to Terrence Murphy, Canning Town, 176¼, also as neat a boxing lesson as one could wish to witness. The end came at the termination of round seven, for Murphy had suffered two cut eyes and it was useless to allow a game lad to take unnecessary punishment.

Terry Downes, Paddington (late of the U. S. Marines), 160, overwhelmed Sammy Hamilton, Belfast, 158½, with his two-fisted attacks, forcing the referee to stop the bout in his favor in the third. . . . George Martin, Bermondsey, 135½, gave a brilliant exhibition of box-fighting to outpoint Teddy Best, Cardiff, 136¼, in a sparkling eight round contest.

Pancho Bhatachaji, India, 112, was too good for Fred Wingfield, Nottingham, 117, the referee called a halt in the fourth, to save Wingfield from further punishment. . . . George Dormer, East Ham, 123, was too forceful for Charlie Tucker, Camberwell, 126¼, the latter after taking a couple of counts, walked to his corner at the end of the fifth and decided to call it a day.

Terry Gill, West Ham, 148¾, survived an eight count in the third to score a six round points win over Ron Garnett, Earlsfield, 146½. . . . Ron Redrup, West Ham, 169, stopped Joe Crickmar, Stepney, 172½, in the fourth, the latter retired at the end of the round.

▶ WEMBLEY. . . . Pancho Bhatachaji, India, 112, continued his victory parade when he knocked out Barry Adgie, Derby, 109½, in the second. . . . Norman Veron, Guernsey, 137, stopped Cliff Brown, Northampton, 137, in the fourth. . . . Barney Beale, Lambeth, 134¾, knocked out Len Donnelly, Belfast, 136, in the fourth. . . . Arthur Devlin, Millwall, 125½, was too experienced for Terry Rees, Catford, 126, and the latter suffered a points defeat in six. . . . Jack DaCosta, Barbados, 172½, repeated his previous win over Johnny Bourke, Acton, 170¼, when the latter was counted out in the second. . . . Billy Graydon, Bethnal Green, 126½, outpointed Roy Hill, Fulham, 129, in six. . . . Don Symons, Bellingham, 151¼, gained a points win over Charlie Fordham, Kings Cross, 149¾, in six.

▶ BELFAST. . . . There was loud booing at the end of the contest between Don Doherty, Belfast, 147¼, and Johnny Melfah, Ghana, 144, when referee Billy Duncan raised the hand of Doherty as the winner. During the eight rounds the referee cautioned Johnny for SLAPPING, even going to the extreme of stopping the bout in the fifth and telling Melfah that he will not get any marks for hitting with the open glove. If Melfah had closed his gloves, he would have been a clear winner.

Gil Neill, Belfast, 127, returned to winning form, with a points win over Len Harvey, Trinidad, 129, in eight. . . . Two BILLY ADAMS met in a contest, "Belfast" Adams, 125, was the winner in the fourth, when the referee intervened to save "Newcastle" Adams, 127½, unnecessary punishment.

Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 126½, clearly outpointed Andy Doherty, Derry, 126, in eight. . . . Tommy Huston, Belfast, 135, showed good form in his first professional contest, he left handed Harry Stanford, Belfast, 137, to a standstill before the latter seconds skied the sponge in the second round.

▶ BELLE VUE, MANCHESTER. . . . Phil Edwards, Cardiff, 160, had to fight hard to get the better of Jimmy Lynas, Coventry, 161¾, after eight rounds. . . . Derek Treanor, Glasgow, 118¾, put in a strong finish in the latter part of his eight round bout with Eric Brett, Retford, 118¼, to receive the decision of referee Harry Warner. . . . Malcolm McLeod, Coventry, 109½, knew a little too much for The Irish Flyweight Champion, Dave Moore, Belfast, 112¾, and it was no surprise when the referee intervened in McLeod's favor during the sixth round.

Randy Turpin, former world middleweight champion, was just a shadow of his old self in defending British light heavyweight title against Arthur Howard at Leicester, though he won a fifteen rounds decision.

Eddie Bee, Trinidad, 144, was always the master of Don Martin, Formby, 142½, and stopped his man in the fifth. Before the closure, Martin was put on the deck for nine. . . . Allen Pompey, Trinidad, 206½, knocked out Denny Ball, Bedford, 209½, in the third. . . . Ted Buck, Nottingham, 162, made a successful professional debut by outpointing Johnny Berry, Harlesden, 158¼, in four.

▶ CARLISLE. . . . Willie Armstrong, Port Glasgow, 172, proved too strong for Albert Scott, South Africa, 174¾, in their eight round bout. In the final round Scott, on the receiving end after taking a count of nine, was in no condition to defend himself, and referee Jim Folland wisely stopped the bout in the Scottish southpaw's favor. . . . Ronnie Rush, Cardiff, 138, put paid to Derek Clarke, Burnley, 135, via the K.O. route in the second. . . . Barry Adgie, Derby, 110¾, knocked out Bobby Davis, Lancaster, 112, in the sixth. . . . Reg Jackson, Derby, 128, stopped Billy Adams, Newcastle, 127½, in the fifth.

▶ SHOREDITCH. . . . Terry Downes, Paddington, 159, and John Woolard, Glasgow, 160, gave the fans all that they paid to see, and a little bit more. For almost seven rounds these two battled hard and the aggressiveness of Downes told its tale at the end. Referee Bill Williams stopped the bout in Downes' favour.

The former U. S. Marine is a fine showman. He is the promoter's pride and joy, for the fans know as soon as he is on the programme, that they will get action.

Terry Gill, West Ham, 149½, kept his unbeaten record, with a points win over Jack Burley, Hackney, 141½, in six. . . . Dennis Booty, Stepney, 161½, also kept his record intact with a win over Jim Ramsay, British Guiana, 154, the referee stopping the one-sided bout in the third. . . . Tommy Leroy, Redhill, 162¼, outpointed Dennis Wingrove, Dagenham, 157½, in six. . . . Dennis Preston, Covent Garden, 137, was a surprise winner over Mickey Collins, Dublin, 134¾, when the latter well ahead on points received a badly cut eye in the fifth round forcing the referee to stop the bout.

▶ NEWCASTLE. . . . When Joe Shepherd, matchmaker for The St. James Hall, brought Johnny Sullivan, Preston, 173½, and Johnny Halafihi, Tonga, 174½, together to do battle over ten rounds, the sold out signs were in evidence. Sullivan's hopes for an Empire Title bout were shot by the hard hitting Tongan who made every blow count.

In the fourth Sullivan was put on the deck, but he rose full of fight and in the next two rounds he spent nearly all his energy to try and win by a K.O. The decision in Halafihi's favor was loudly acclaimed. . . . What a Battle, What a Show, Congratulations both.

Jackie Butler, Preston, 148¼, outpointed Peter Smith, Huddersfield, 148, in eight. . . . Peter Goldie, Todmorden, 163, stopped Bob Batey, Newcastle, 164¾, in the third. . . . Tommy McGuinness, Edinburgh, 137¾, outpointed Brian Husband, Hull, 141½, in six. . . . Johnny Bamborough, West Hartlepool, 133, outpointed Joe Ritchie, North Shields, 139¾, in six.

▶ BELFAST. . . . Alan Dean, Birkenhead, 158½, won a narrow points decision over George Lavery, Belfast, 160½, in eight. . . . Tommy Keily, Birkenhead, 149, defeated Billy Corbett, Carrickfergus, 150, when the latter was disqualified for persistent holding, in the third round. . . . Tommy Huston, Belfast, 135, outpointed Ray Bond, Belfast, 137¼, in a punishing six round bout. . . . Mickey King, Belfast, 120, outpointed Benny Vaun, Belfast, 121, in six. . . .

SOUTH AFRICAN NOTES
By Eric Moolman

At the Bantu Sports Ground, Johannesburg, Joe Ngidi, the South African non-European welter and middleweight champion, outpointed Joe "Flash" Nyakale, the former champion, to retain his middleweight title. Ngidi scored a narrow victory against Nyakale in a hard fight.

Elijah Mokone, the non-European featherweight titleholder, won the vacant lightweight crown by outpointing Enoch Nhlapo, the Transvaal Feather and Lightweight champion. Both fought non-stop through twelve gruelling rounds.

▶ At Lourenco Marques, Portuguese East Africa, Johnny "Smiler" van Rensburg KO'd Julio Silva in the fifth round.

▶ At the Olympia Ice Rink, Johannesburg, before a crowd of 7,000, Mike Holt outpunched and outboxed Jimmy Martinez, of America, to gain a unanimous ten round decision.

Holt dropped Martinez for a count of eight in the third round and won every round from then on.

▶ In a return fight in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, Martinez turned the tables on Holt by winning a close decision. The American proved too experienced for Holt, who took some heavy punishment as he waded in trying to land a big punch.

Martinez took advantage of every opening left by Holt, and dropped the South African for a count of seven with a beautifully timed right cross to the head in the second round.

Holt was soon bleeding freely from the nose but went forward gamely and never stopped trying to pierce Martinez's defense with powerful punching. The American finished strongly and brought Holt to his knees momentarily in the tenth round to finish a clear points winner.

▶ Robert Cohen, now resident in Elizabethville, Belgian Congo, may make a return to the ring to meet Dennis Adams, the South African Flyweight champion at Luanshya, Northern Rhodesia.

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BOXING BITS FROM SINGAPORE
By Little Nene

IN A SHOW BACKED BY MR. YAP AND PROMOTED BY Bertie Bell, Damrondej Smanchan, 133½, of Bangkok, kayoed Fighting Lee, 135, of Indonesia, in the fourth. A crispy short uppercut forty-five seconds after the round began ended the affair.

In the supporting ten, the best fight of the evening, Kid Pancho, 135, of Ipoh, clearly outpointed Thep Vithool, 133½, of Siam. Only the experience of the aging veteran Vithool saved him from a knockout.

Fighting Jamal, 114, best Malayan flyweight, stopped Lefty Majid, 110, in the second heat. William Smith, 137, halted Hawaiian-born Johnny Mortell, 140, in the third. Chua Gim Leng, 104, halted Kid Atan, 114, in one round. Robert Goh and Kid Sahatan drew in four rounds.

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JACK HURLEY

The Northwest's outstanding promoter

I consider Jim Norris a high class man and well able to take care of himself in any society.

From this distance I wouldn't care to hazard a guess as to the future of boxing. What else can I say?

In the meantime, Patterson-Rademacher will do capacity here, August 22.

HYMIE WALLMAN

New York fight manager

I would say that the decision of Judge Ryan is most unfair to boxing because actually, in my opinion, it is the television that has brought about the withdrawal of small promoters from boxing and not the promotions of Jim Norris and his organizations. However, reducing national television to one show a week, would be of great help in restoring normalcy to the sport.

The future of boxing will not be affected by Judge Ryan's decision. I think we will carry on the sport as in the past. Nothing that has happened or will happen, will bring about the death of a sport which is viewed by millions weekly on TV.

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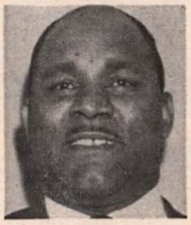

New York fight manager

The Judge Ryan decision against the IBC is not the important issue. Whereas the gross receipts have increased many fold the fighters have not received any increase. In fact they have received less from promoters all over the country than they did before TV became so important. What the future may see will depend not on the decree as much as the far sightedness of all promoters in giving young fighters a chance to develop.

WILLIE KETCHUM

Manager of former lightweight champion James Carter

As one who has been in boxing for upwards of thirty years, I can say that no other promoter anywhere has given unknown boxers more of a chance than has Jim Norris as a promoter. I believe that the verdict of Judge Ryan will have a big affect on the future of boxing, because it will become very difficult for boxers to reach the top as quickly as they have under what Judge Ryan calls a monopoly, due to television. TV has given young kids a chance to get up to the top by making only one good performance in a fight that has been put on the home screen.

Boxing won't benefit by the break up of the IBC.

JACK CURLEY

Manager of Stillman's Gym and boxing instructor

I have spent all my working life in boxing and therefore I can honestly say that boxing is my life. But I know nothing about the law, hence must wait to see what the result of Judge Ryan's decision will bring about as time goes on. I hope the benefits will outweigh the disadvantages and the sport of boxing, popular with the fans, makes a strong comeback.

BOBBY NORTH

Fighter and manager for half a century

The recent decree by Judge Ryan should encourage free competition in boxing which is good for everyone and should help the boxing business and all those concerned in boxing.

NORMAN ROTHSCHILD

Syracuse, N. Y., promoter who has put his city in the big time

Whatever the high court decides, of this I am certain: it would be almost impossible to continue in boxing without the revenue derived from TV to relieve some of our promotional expense. I have no doubt it would have been most difficult to have promoted the shows that we have without television. As for Jim Norris, whose understanding made it possible to promote the only 3 World's Championship fights ever held in Syracuse, boxing will suffer if he leaves. His interest has always been for the good of boxing and I think he would be most abused if he is forced from the boxing scene. The fine organization he has headed with men like Harry Markson, Truman Gibson, Billy Brown and all of the others, is needed to continue good boxing.

NEW ORLEANS BOXING
By Ike Morales

CHARLEY JOSEPH, 159, WON HIS MOST IMPORTANT BATTLE IN MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM when he was awarded a unanimous 10-round decision over Ellsworth Spider Webb, 160, of Chicago.

By virtue of this major ring upset, the New Orleans middleweight was ranked No. 6 in the August edition of Ring Magazine, while Webb was dropped from No. 3 to No. 7 in the division ruled by Sugar Ray Robinson.

It was not only Joseph's most brilliant performance in the ring, but the 6,614 paid customers, who grossed $19,105.50, witnessed one of the best fights staged in a New Orleans ring in years.

Bonnie Geigerman and J. T. Owen, co-promoters of the glove natural, were praised for their ability in landing the match. And both said they would make every effort to bring back the pair for a return contest.

While the decision was unanimous there were many who thought Webb deserved the nod. I thought the Chicago middleweight had a decided margin at the finish, and scored it six rounds to four for Webb.

Referee Roland Brown tabbed it 6-4 for Joseph, while Judge Frederick Adams and Judge Ernest Cojoe scored it 4-4-2. Each, however, gave Joseph the decision "for cleaner punching," inasmuch as no draw fights are permissable in Louisiana.

Both fighters started out as if they wanted to end it in the very first round. And the large crowd lost no time showing its approval with a thunderous ovation after the session.

Charley and the Spider kept up the fast pace during the next few rounds. Webb ripped Joseph's right eye with a left hook in the eighth, and went after the local boy with both fists flying as blood started to trickle from Charley's eye injury. Joseph then shook up the Spider and pounded him with right hand smashes to the jaw as bedlam broke loose.

It was a terrific fight. Both fighters absorbed lots of punishment, Webb sports a puffed right eye when it was over.

More than 200 boxing fans from New Orleans attended the fight at Houston, Tex., when Roy Harris scored a major ring upset by defeating Willie Pastrano, who was the No. 3 heavyweight challenger for Floyd Patterson's crown.

Many took advantage of the Southern Pacific **"Special,"** while others flew and drove to the scene in automobiles.

Not only did Harris, who hails from Cut and Shoot, Tex., knock Pastrano from his No. 3 rating (Ring Magazine) in the heavyweight merry-go-round, but sent a large delegation of New Orleans bettors to the cleaners. It was reported that close to $10,000 was dropped on Pastrano, at odds of 1 to 2.

In the opening preliminary to the Charley Joseph-Spider Webb fight in Municipal Auditorium, New Orleans, Percy Nero was taking a drubbing from Ike Stewart during the first round. The second started out the same way until Nero landed a right to the jaw that sent Stewart sprawling. The fans went into an uproar as Referee Charley Daboney counted Stewart out in the second round.

With the large crowd yelling and cheering the referee, apparently, became confused. He picked Stewart off the canvas after counting him out and raised the beaten fighter's mitt in token of victory. As ringsiders roared during this bit of comedy, Referee Daboney quickly corrected the error, went over to Nero's corner and raised his hand. And was the referee blushing!

THIS 'N THAT:—Crowe Peele attended the Joseph-Webb fight and was given a round of applause when introduced prior to the main event. . . . Herbie Rodriguez, local welter, is anxious to meet some of the better named fighters. . . . An encore here between Willie Pastrano vs. Roy Harris would do close to $50,000, local promoters say. . . . How come Ralph Dupas' name is never mentioned when a title bout is in the making for Joe Brown? . . . Whitey Esneault would like to send Dupas against the champion in a non-title fight.

Willie Vaughn, 160, one of the most popular of visiting fighters to perform in New Orleans in years, racked up another victory when he turned back Al "Tiger" Williams, 155, in 10 rounds in the Coliseum arena.

Vaughn, a solid 1-3 favorite, grabbed an early lead on superior infighting and topped a late surge by club fighter Williams. It was a split decision, but a majority of the fans in attendance thought Vaughn had a good margin at the finish.

Judges Ernie Cojoe and Roland Brown saw Vaughn the winner, but at varied margins. Referee Frederick Adams voted for Williams. Cojoe called it Vaughn on a 5-4-1 card, and Brown leaned to Willie as high as 7-2-1. Referee Adams tabbed it 5-3-2 for Williams. The Item's score went to Vaughn, 6 rounds to 4.

A total of 1,376 fans paid a net gate of $2,941 to see Promoter Heard Ragas' fight card.

The four prelims ended in knockouts. Al Joseph chilled Percy Pugh in three; Mike Lowery finished Dave Stokes in one; Reggie Williams stopped Jerry Williams in five, and Cal Campbell put the lights out for Johnny Powell in three.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN
With Pinky Mitchell

FORMER WORLD JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION ORVILLE PITTS, 173½, MILWAUKEE, KNOCKED OUT Lawrence Keyes, 176, of Chicago in 2:25 of the first round at the South Side Armory. Pitts went to work on Keyes at the tap of the first gong, punching hard and fast. A left hook to the body hurt Keyes and a right toppled him for a full count just before he sent over a right to the jaw to finish him.

George Jarosch, 172½, Milwaukee, won split decision over Lou Bailey, 175, Peoria, Ill.

Johnny Nicholas, 127½, Milwaukee, knocked out Jimmy Harris, 127¾, Peoria, Ill., in 57 seconds of third round.

Norman Johnson, 144, Milwaukee, knocked out Walt McIntosh, 149, Detroit, in 2:07 of first round.

Paul Nicholas, 156½, Milwaukee, knocked out Timothy Higgins, 153, Chicago in 1:56 of third round.

Dick Bartman, 146½, Milwaukee, knocked out Jerry McLilly, 145½, Detroit, in 2:11 of first round.

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RATINGS

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Joey Giardello stopped Joe Gray, 6.

Franz Szuzina upset welterweight Virgil Akins, 10. Bobby Boyd edged out Rocky Castellani, 10.

Neal Rivers stopped Sal Flores, 9. Chebo Hernandez kayoed Richard Kelly, 4, but was stopped by Willie Vaughn, 7.

Ramon Fuentes outpointed Luigi Coluzzi, 12.

Gustav Scholz won German title by kayoing Peter Muller, 3. Yama Bahama stopped Deacon Washington, 5. Jimmy Martinez outpointed Mike Holt, 10.

Germinal Ballarin won over Bob Provizzi, 10. Gabriel Barragan upset Jorge Castro, 10. Mauro Mina beat Santiago Meza, 10, and Aurelio Diaz, 10.

Milo Savage defeated Mel Barker, 10. Paolo Melis decisioned Gary Simon, 10. Wilf Greaves stopped Jackie Headon, 5.

Artie Dixon kayoed Sonny Hett, 7. Billy Hester beat Australian champion Bill McDonnell, 12. Sam Langford kayoed Rudy Jimenez, 1.

Chico Vejar outpointed Bobby Dalton, 10. Samrt Soendaeng whipped Hachiro Tatsumi, 10. Eddie Andrews stopped Karl-Heinz Guder, 6, and beat Sammy Walker, 10. Gerry Fraser halted Jackson Brown, 5. Phil Edwards edged out Jimmy Lynas, 8.

Dick Hall scored over Jimmy Williams, 8, and drew with Cobey McCluskey, 10. Henry Hank whipped Leffie Walker, 8. Diamante Negro whipped Young Tunney, 8. Alfonso Flores kayoed Victor Torres, 6.

Hank Casey kayoed Walter Tyler, 1. Martin Hansen held to upset draw by Bob Stevens, 8. Sal Perea shaded Candy McGilmore, 6. Claude Williams beat Tommy Fields, 8.

Willie Stevens kayoed Willard Henry, 2. Max Resch stopped George Roe, 8. Ernest Burford kayoed Jim Hegerle, 1. Eddie Wright and Mike Campbell drew, 6. After taking French title from Gilbert Lavoine, 15, Andre Drille stopped Italian Champion Guido Mazzinghi, 10, for latter's first defeat as professional. Chuck Lincoln won from Henry Hoos, 6.

Juan Pomare beat Eddie Dixon, 6. Paul Nicholas kayoed Alvin Irwin, 1. Hans Wohlers edged out close decision over Jean Ruellet, 8.

Ex-Olympian Lazslo Papp had trouble outpointing Gerhard Moll, 6. Ray Wells beat Howard Lee, 6.

Billy Priest beat Gene Lopes, 6. Joe DeNucci stopped Andy Chaney, 6. Harry Brown beat Arthur Johnson, 6.

Joey Giardello outpointed Chico Vejar, 10. Joe Shaw upset Chebo Hernandez, 10. Al Williams halted Ruben Hernandez, 5. Billy Hester halted Ramon Fuentes, 9. Gomeo Brennan kayoed Bahamas Kid, 4. Ernie Smith kayoed Clarence Harbin, 3.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Virgil Akins was upset by middleweight Franz Szuzina, 10.

Vince Martinez outscored Kid Gavilan, 10.

Larry Baker upset Gaspar Ortego, 10.

South American champion Martiniano Pereyra retained his title by stopping Paulo DeJesus, 4. Cirilo Gil defeated Oscar Paez, 10. Jess Bogart upset Frankie (Kid) Anslem, 10. Peruvian champion Perico Garcia defeated Carlos Fachado, 10, Carlos beat Luis Gutierrez, 10.

Enrique Esqueda stopped Billy Greaves, 8, Fidel Hernandez, 2, and Chucho Olmos, 7, while Greaves stopped Tobe Penaloza, 5. Tony DeCola outpointed Felix Chiocca, 10.

Gale Kerwin stopped Tony DiBiase, 5. Fredrick Thompson kayoed Ramon Vargas, 2. Russell Sands halted Don McDonnell, 12. Tony Veranis outpointed Keith Paris, 10. Herbie Rodriguez kayoed Ray Portilla, 6.

Rocky Rivero kayoed Manuel Seron, and Federico Guerra, 5. Joe Ngidi outpointed Flash Nyakale, 12. Nilo Blanco beat Juan Tejada, 10. Jackie Butler outfought Peter Smith, 8. Reybon Stubbs decisioned Wayman Dawson, 10.

Gerald Gray outpointed Teddy Davis, 10. Gilbert Holguin stopped Eddie Brant, 4. Jacques Herbillon halted Pierre Mondino, 5.

Alfredo Cota stopped Dave Cervantes, 1. Bruno Visintin decisioned Jimmy Newman, 12. Ray Terrazas defeated Roy Sparks, 6.

Jimmy Carter kayoed Don Braun, 5. Ike Jenkins and Fernando LaDoll drew, 6. Rudy Sawyer kayoed Rusty Davis, 2. Johnny Cooper decisioned Mike Hannah, 12.

Bill Flamio beat Phil Morizio, 6. Ted Wright won from Johnny Powell, 6. Tomas Castillo whipped Agustin Rosales, 10. Jimmy McCoy edged out Jackie Frost, 6. George Ross decisioned Corrado Mancarella, 6.

Guy Sumlin defeated Curtis Woolwine, 8. Gomeo Brennan beat Willie (Kid) Johnson, 6. Jimmy Mackey kayoed Willie King, 2.

Jack Russell Kayoed Bill Godfrey, 2. Hank Jones stopped Ernest Stephney, 5. Eddie Lynch whipped Benny Antonetti, 6.

Mel Ferguson beat Floyd Sampson, 6. DeWitt Lewis whipped Fernando LaDoll, 6. Carlton Wilson beat Cheffy Reyna, 6. Francisco Echeverria kayoed Leonardo Galindo, 1.

Charley (Tombstone) Smith whipped Marcel Pigou, 10. Somdez Youngrakit defeated Jiro Sawada, 12. Mickey Crawford outpointed Pat Lawry, 10. Al Jones and Jerry Gray drew 6.

Carmine Fiore and Miguel Diaz drew, 10. Gilberto Holguin stopped Al Boudreaux, 3. Robert Oliphant defeated Jimmy Kelly, 10. Danny Russo whipped Phil Morizio, 6. Jay Fuller whipped Andey Maes, 8.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

World champion Joe Brown retained his title by halting Orlando Zulueta, 15.

European champion Duilio Loi streched his unbeaten streak to 55 by defeating Piet Van Klaveren, 10 (non-title), stopping welterweight Chico Santos, 6, and out classing Ahcene Attar, 10.

Leo Alonzo outpointed Mickey Northrup, 10. Omsap Laemfapha won the Orient championship by outpointing Flash Elorde, 12.

Willie Toweel retained British Empire title by outpointing Dave Charnley, 15. Joe Lopes halted Hoacine Khalfi, 4.

Johnny Busso upset Larry Boardman, 10. Cisco Andrade returned to action after a long layoff and outpointed Billy Evans, 10.

French Champion Lahouari Godih breezed home easily against Pierre Sarkissian in title bout, 12. Fred Galiana stopped Jose Hernandez, 6.

Lulu Perez outpointed Bobby Courchesne, 10. L. C. Morgan outfought Don Jordan, 10. Willie Morton stopped Eddie Chavez, 8.

Tommy Romulo stopped Teddy Hall, 8. Ray Lancaster halted Buck Earnhardt, 5. Ernie Williams beat Johnny Melendez, 6. Marcelo Vargas kayoed Luciano Gonzalez, 8, and upset Humberto Carrillo by halting him in 6. Australian Champion George Bracken whipped Fernand Nollet, 12. Carlos Arregui halted Carlos Barragan, 6.

Tommy Roberts kayoed Ike Vaughn, 8, and Jimmy Briggs, 1. Chino Gomez bested Juan Lemus, 10. Freddy Garcia kayoed bantamweight Dusty Brown, 5. Antonio Ramirez and Felipe Sosa drew, 10.

Harry Bell outscored Bernie Bibbs, 6. Tobe Penaloza kayoed Reyes Lopez, 4, Reyes also lost to Juanito Martinez, 10, Juan also beat Tejon Contreras, 10, and Ubaldo Ramirez, 10. Willard (Battling) Nelson defeated Joe Smyers, 6. Johnny van Rensburg polished off Julio Silva, 5.

Soloman Boysaw beat Don Ward, 6. Bobby Ros handed Jo Ventaja his first defeat as a pro, 10. Dexter Connors bested Jean Dulhoste, 6. Henry Gutierrez kayoed Marcelino Vargas, 5. Chivo Diaz kayoed Freddie Olmos, 4.

Dave Dupas bested Joe Cook, 6. Jimmy Lassiter decisioned Willie Johnson, 6.

Little Firpo upset Jimmy Feaster, 6. Jesse Goins outfought Henry Watson, 6. Henry also lost to Kenny Shields, 8.

Mike Spataro won over Richie Argo, 6. Dom Sacco beat Davey Lee, 6. Lalo Duque stopped Bobby Garza, 9, Bobby beat Mike Coronado, 6. Johnny Johnikin beat Ricco Sacramone 6, but lost to featherweight Leroy Jones, 10.

Al Olivera beat Indo Conde, 10. Pachuco Palomares kayoed Gil Cota, 2. Jack Parelli kayoed Jimmy Duval, 2. Salomon Coronel defeated Terry Anahuac, 6.

Frankie Ippolito halted Tommy Salem, 6. Luke Easter outpointed Billy Brown, 10. Ray Riojas outpointed George Bracken, 4. Ray Gonzales halted Ted Mosley, 3. Ezequiel Uribe bested Sapo Ortega, 10. Solomon Boysaw bested Ronnie Blackman, 6. Rocky Randell and John Tombley drew, 8. Chuck Adkins returned to action after a two year layoff and beat Kid Chicolate, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Hogan (Kid) Bassey won vacant world featherweight championship by stopping Cherif Hamia in tenth round.

Ike Chestnut kayoed Kid Anahuac, 8.

Fighting as a lightweight Flash Elorde lost to Omsap Laemfapha, 12. Paul Armstead bested Tommy Tibbs, 10.

Davey Moore whipped Isidro Martinez, 10. Ricardo Gonzalez kayoed Alfredo Bunetta, 14.

Victor (Sonny) Leon halted Russ Tague, 6.

Pete Kawula upset Lauro Salas, 10, and beat Vincente Matute, 10. Altidoro Polidori outpointed Juan Cadalso, 8. Roberto Garcia and Fidel Lucero drew, 10, Garcia then kayoed Lucero, 5.

Victor Manuel Quijano whipped Joel Sanchez, 10. Elijah Mokone outpointed Enoch Nhlapo 12. Pedro Miranda kayoed Guillermo Mendoza, 7.

Angel Guerrero stopped Beto Carvajal, 6. Mauro Vazque kayoed Memo Baltazares, 5. Manuel Alvarez whipped Sergio Milan, 10, and Juan Ayala, 10.

Oscar Ortegon beat Rudy Valdez, 10. Portuguese Champion Belarmino Fragoso awarded unpopular decision over Jose Crespo, 8. Gordon Bell stopped Barry Molloy, 10.

Louis Poncy acquired vacant French title by stopping Jules Touan, 14. Gaby Paliotti decisioned Bobby Jackson, 8. Johnny Nicholas kayoed Roland Jones, 2. Baby Brown halted Paulito Escarlan, 9. Otilio Galvan beat David Rodriguez, 10.

Mon Hernandez bested Marcelino Gonzalez, 10. Leroy Jones beat Johnny Johnikin, 10. Jorge Manjarrez halted Joe Reyes, 2.

Jesus Estrada whipped Felipe Payan, 8. Hilario Morales defeated Juanene Garcia 10. Harry Floyd Smith whipped Leroy Grant, 6.

Lalo Camarena whipped Cachorro Meza, 10, and kayoed Felipe Sosa, 9. Pat McCarthy and Bobby Soars drew, 8, Bobby kayoed Buddy Daye, 4. Jerry Dodgen bested Danny Doggery, 6. Walt Ingram beat Tony Cristy, 6, and Ray Carter, 6. Iggy Maldonado outhustled Prince Johnson, 6.

Eduardo Rodriguez whipped Gonsalo Andueza, 10. Jimmy Kelly bested Tom Smith, 6. Bobby Gray beat Dom Sacco, 6.

Joey Basilio kayoed Charley Sanich, 2. Tiger Pyle and Billy Nickerson, drew, 6. Caracol Hernandez kayoed Chano Acosta, 3, and Rudy Nieto, 4. Boots Monroe stopped Tony Rios, 5. Jimmy Connors kayoed Lester Davis, 1, and Domingo DeBarros, 1.

Joey Mazon defeated Frankie Figueroa, 6. Jim Rankin kayoed Calvin Carney, 1. Vicente Espinosa halted Victor Romero, 5.

Collier Cox whipped Ramon Rodriguez, 5. Gabriel Herrera defeated Daniel Silva, 8. Enrique Castillo stopped Luis Bautista, 4.

Angel Amaya beat Rafael Padrino, 6. Gil Flores beat Tenejeros Boy, 8. Dio Cagulada beat Vic Fuentes, 8.

Jerry Fowler stopped Gustavo Carreram, 2. Aldo Pravisani trounced Pierre Stanzack, 10.

Andre Valignat decisioned Robert Meunier, 10, and kayoed Paul Roca, 2. Altidoro Polidori whipped Stan Sobolak, 10. Johnny Leckie retained New Zealand title by stopping Johnny Hanks, 12.

Paul Jorgensen and Gil Cadilli drew, 10. Harold Gomes halted Lulu Perez, 6. Willie Pep decisioned Manny Castro, 10. Fili Nava outclassed Baby Rodriguez, 10.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Former champion Mario D'Agata made his first start since losing the title and stopped Roland Roy, 7. Roy also lost to Federico Scarponi, 10.

Leo Espinosa decisioned Larry Bataan, 12, and flyweight Pone Kingpetch, 12.

British and Empire Champion Peter Keenan outboxed Robert Tartari, 10. Roberto Castro won the South American title by beating Arturo Rojas, 15.

Joe Becerra stopped Johnny Ortega, 4. Tanny Campo lost to flyweight Young Martin, 10.

Orlando Reyes stopped Jose Luis Mora, 9. Mora had kayoed Gabino Gonzalez, 8. Alberto Barenghi beat Avelino Romero, 10, and drew with Oscar Cadenas, 10. Arab Jr. won the Philippine title by beating Little Cezar, 12.

Memo Sanchez halted Ernesto Castaneda, 9. Cris Miranada halted Frisco Concepcion, 9.

Claudio Adante beat Chuy Guerrero, 10. Roque Fernandez and Kildo Martinez drew, 10. Nacho Escalante stopped Ross Padilla, 10, and Chuck Wiggins, 3. Abd-el-Kader Azzouz registered his 12th straight pro win in six months by beating Jean Delplace, 8.

Al Wilcher stopped Rudy Cisneros, 3, and drew with Pat Supple, 10. Edwin Sykes kayoed Sonny McKay, 1. Raul Leanos stopped Chucho Gonzalez, 6.

Chuy Rodriguez defeated Gallito Reyes, 10. Avelino Felix stopped Angel Vicente, 1. Luis Jimenez defeated Ricardo Valdes, 10. Flash Menny defeated Avenger Jr. 8.

Tony Maya whipped Tribilin Carmona, 10. Nestor Checa whipped Roy Sisson, 8. Ray Ruiz stopped Fili Maya, 8.

Jose Galvan kayoed Juan Mendoza, 9. Rafael Sotelo kayoed Juan Perez, 2. Manny Rodriguez defeated Babe Navarro, 10. Manny Elias whipped Eddie Saint, 5.

Manuel Rojas beat Jose Juan Zurita, 8. Zurdo Pina won over Mario Aguilar, 8. Graham van der Walt stopped Dennis Adams, 5. Jean Guerrard halted Albert Vaillant, 3, and did likewise to Pierre deSouza.

FLYWEIGHTS

World champion Pascual Perez retained his title by outpointing Luis Angel Jimenez, 10. (although scheduled as non-title fight, both men were within weight limit, therefore title was at stake.)

European Champion Young Martin outpointed bantamweight Tanny Campo, 10.

Ramon Arias kayoed German Pardo, 8.

Memo Diez stopped Jorge Herrera, 6. Herrera kayoed Marcelino Gonzalez 4, and Dusty Brown, 3.

Vic Campo outpointed Young Aquino, 10. Alejo Mejia won from Jorge Valverde, 10.

Danny Rodinas and Leo Macalintal drew, 8. Little Dommy and Al Reyes drew, 8. Chucho Hernandez stonped Leonardo Lopez, 5. Eloy Sanchez beat Tibico Torres, 8. Terry Castro beat Little Nanney, 6.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS
By Lew Eskin

RAMBLING AROUND: Police Capt. Joe Borrell of Cliffside Park, a top middleweight of the 1910-20 era, retired from the force after 26 years of service. Joe boxed, among others, George Chip, Harry Greb, Al McCoy, Jeff Smith, Leo Houck, Frank Mantell, Harry Lewis, Joe Grim, Jack Blackburn and K. O. Sampson.

▶ Laurel Garden, Newark: A good size crowd turned out for the annual benefit boxing show staged by B'nai B'rith Lodge 1514 of Hillside. In the main bout Genorace Armstrong, 157, Elizabeth, finished strong over the last five rounds to take the decision over Stan Micheaux, 158, Rahway, in a rugged eight rounder. In the co-feature Joe Lissy, 152, Yorkville, N.Y.C., stopped Yvon Turenne, 155, Montreal, Canada in 1:05 of the eighth and final round. It was a good close fight until a badly cut eye caused the referee to step in and halt it.

Ex-amateur star Tom Brown, 158, Trenton, made his pro debut with a nod over Eddie McPhatter, 159, Newark, 4; Joe Damiano, 150, Newark, edged out Felix Machedo, 151, Cuba, 4; and Jimmy Ellis, 138, Trenton, stopped Beverly Medley, 139, Brooklyn, in the second.

▶ Roosevelt Stadium, Jersey City: The return match between Paterson's Vince Martinez and former world welterweight king Kid Gavilan, of Cuba, did not live up to the first either in the ring or at the gate. Martinez, the careful cutie, had only one rough moment in winning easily. That came near the end of the fifth round, when the Keed nailed him on the jaw with a solid right then sent Vince reeling into the ropes. However Gavilan was unable to follow up the advantage and Vince recovered. From then on it was all Vince, who had too much speed for the faded Gavilan. Referee Paul Cavalier scored it 7-3 for Vince, who scaled 151 to 148 for Gavilan.

Harry Floyd Smith, 129¾, New York, won from Leroy Grant, 126, Linden, in a fast sixer; Otis Woodard, 130¾, N.Y.C., stopped Lee Owens, 159½, Syracuse, in 1.50 of the 3rd; Tony Pio, 144, Bayonne, defeated Julio Valdi, 144, Jersey City, 4; and Frank Weisgerberg, 169, Teaneck, halted Mike Zecca, 163, Belleville, in the fourth.

The crowd was 7,200 and the gate around $26,000.

LEFT HOOKS FROM SCRANTON AND VICINITY
By Ken (DUKE) Stigner

Boxing, which had swung into high gear in the spring months, fell by the wayside during June when not a show was held either in Scranton or Wilkes-Barre.

The Atlas AC, Scranton, with Frank Silvia, promoter, is trying to line up an outdoor card. Frank is a fine fellow and really has boxing at heart.

Waiting for the bell. . . . More than 50 members of the Veterans Boxers' Association were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Calpin at their summer home at Lake Ariel, at a turkey and ham dinner. James Crowley, chairman of the Pennsylvania Athletic Commission, was the honored guest. Bill Calpin, an ex-fighter, is on the board of directors of the association. . . . PFC Al Meskunas, a Scranton boy, is making quite a name for himself in boxing in the U. S. Army in Germany where he won the middleweight championship in the 7th Army Novice tournament. . . . so far the boy has had seven battles, winning all. . . . Chic Feldman continues to gain and is back at his sports desk. . . . My address is 109 Robinson St., Chinchilla, Pa.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By Billy Shaw

Rory Calhoun roared into Syracuse from White Plains, N. Y., to make a tremendous hit in a ten round slugfest with polished Joey Giambra, the Buffalo middleweight who now makes his home in San Francisco. The boys battled to a draw at War Memorial Auditorium. It was a good fight to watch. It was beamed nationally and the decision met with considerable debate. Quite a lot of ringsiders thought Calhoun had the edge. Only a return bout will satisfy those who disagreed. From our perch it looked like a good draw.

A crowd of 2,546, which looked more like 4,000 paid $7,039.50 to view the scrap, which was packed full of action. Giambra's boxing science was put to a test by the hard pressing, heavy hitting Calhoun who never stopped blasting.

Giambra let Calhoun do virtually all the leading, tagging Rory coming in. Rory connected with many powerful blows that hurt Joey but Giambra was never in distress. One of Giambra's crisp rights opened a cut over Calhoun's right eye in the fifth and further damaged the injury in the ferocious tenth.

Ruby Goldstein, New York referee and former ring star, awarded the bout to Calhoun. He gave Rory five and called the second even. Judge Gamball saw it 4-4-1 in favor of Giambra, while Judge Frank Forbes saw it four rounds for each and two even. We liked Forbes verdict.

Willie Bell, 197, Syracuse, who won the Adirondack division amateur heavyweight crown a few months ago, made an impressive pro debut, when he stopped huge DeWitt Lee, 238, Buffalo, former Niagara District champion, in the third round. This scrap went on after the windup.

In the semi-final, George Kartalian, 174½, Syracuse, came within seconds of winning by a knockout over Rudy Williams, 174, New York, in a bristling six. A power-packed short right to the jaw dropped Williams flat on his back in the final stanza but when the referee reached a count of eight the bell tolled the end of the fight. The decision was a draw.

Slick looking Harry Bell, 136, New York, a youngster with a lot of class, outpointed Bernie Bibbs, 136, Philadelphia, in an interesting six rounder. Bibbs was decked twice for nine counts but he fought back gamely.

Probably one of the brightest heavyweight prospects in this area, Jimmy Leonard, 176 pound Syracuse Irishman, showed a lot of boxing ability and a wicked punch in either hand, as he won his third straight victory at the expense of Malcolm Butler, 170, Akron, O., in an exciting four rounder.

In the lid lifter, Bobby Banks, 160, knocked out Johnny Pigula, 159, Syracuse, in 1.57 of the first round.

▶ Promoter Norm Rothschild is making plans to transport Nat Fleischer's world famous boxing museum to Syracuse for the New York State Fair. The big exposition gets underway in September and Fleischer's famous collection would add much color and attractiveness to the event. Rothschild planned to heavily insure the collection and was due to confer with Fleischer regarding transportation plans as we went to press.

▶ Irv Robbins Main Street gym is one of the best fighter's conditioning rooms upstate. Irv is justly proud of his gym which he has maintained regardless of boxing conditions locally. Robbins has a splendid stable of fighters. His present crew consists of George Kartalian, light-heavyweight; Gus Fiacco, middleweight; Jimmy Leonard and Willie Bell, heavyweights and Bobby Banks, middleweight. Champ Basilio, brother Joey, Jimmy Di Mura, Leo Owens, Eddie Reynolds and many others use Robbin's gym to prepare for their battles.

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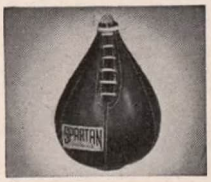

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CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

East Hartford—This year's East Hartford Knights of Columbus Boxing show proved to be its most successful with an overflow attendance of over 3,000 fans jamming North End Park. No doubt an energetic committee contributed considerably to this success, but we feel perhaps their smartest move was charging a dollar admission. That is what drew the fans.

In the feature ten rounder, Corrado Mancarella, 143, of Italy, with seven straight wins in this country, took on the lightly regarded George Ross, 141, of Hartford, who after winning the first six rounds on Referee Billy Taylor's card, coasted to a disputed but deserved verdict. It was a good fight with Ross the faster and smarter boxer.

▶ Manchester—This town's first boxing show in years, under the sponsorship of the Capitol Area Sports Club, drew an estimated crowd of well over 1,000 fans, at Mt. Nebo Field. Chico Vejar, 154, Stamford's actor, boxer, scored a 10 round decision over durable and willing Bobby Dalton, 153½, of Hartford. Vejar, apparently fighting for just the work-out, was hard pressed at times. Although Referee Al Serletti scored it in favor of Vejar by a 47 to 45 margin, which was booed by the crowd, most newspapermen saw Vejar winning by a much greater margin, including this writer.

The semi-final, an eight rounder, was won by Graham Holmes, 140, of Manchester, over Earl "Kid" Matthews, 143, of Boston.

In a four rounder, Joe De Mina, 125, of New York, fighting his first pro bout was outpointed but not outgamed by Lee Mann, 133, New Haven, in the most spirited bout of the evening. In another good, hard fought bout, Paul Lee, 140, defeated Johnny Williams, 142½, in four heats. Both boys are from Hartford. Two semi-pro bouts rounded out a good card.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

BOSTON—Mechanic's Building—Boston fans got their first peek at Lowell's knockout sensation, Billy Ryan, when he scored a four round kayo over Milton Ebbs, 167½, Newark, N. J., the only fighter to go the distance with him but to last beyond the first round in a previous bout. Ryan at 169 impressed in scoring six knockdowns before Referee Joe Zapustas waved Ebbs out.

Karl-Heinz Guder, 157, Germany, made his American debut a winning one by halting Jackson Brown, 154, Boston, in the fourth round. The pair put on a real war in a scheduled ten rounder. Brown was downed four times the last time from a right to the mid-section. Tony Veranis, 145, Dorchester, racked up his 17th win without defeat when he was awarded a tko over Norm Gautreau, 145, Moncton, N. B. in the final round of the third ten round feature.

Art Ryan, 142¼, Tyngsboro, was called the winner in the fourth round when Artie Cintron, 138¾, Brooklyn, suffered an injury. Jimmy Kelly, 130, Lowell, continued on his winning ways with a tko over Ramon Soto, 125, New York, in the second round of a sixer for the same reason.

▶ BOSTON—Mechanic's Building—Eddie Andrews, 156, Lowell, blitzed Karl-Heinz Guder, 154¾, Germany, into submission in the fifth round. By the time the bout was halted Guder was badly beaten, bleeding from the nose and a cut over his eye. It was feared that his nose was broken.

Dick Hall, 155, Boston, took a clear cut ten round duke over Jimmy Williams, 161, New York, in the ten round co-feature. Hall has been moving at a rapid pace since turning pro a short time ago and is undefeated.

Jimmy Connors, 130, New Bedford, wasted little time with Lester Davis, 133½, Boston, whom he flattened in the first of a sixer. Paul Leri, 149, Pawtucket, R. I., stopped Dom Prestone, 147½, Malden, in the fourth of another six spot that was highlighted with heavy punching. In the four round opener, Francis McGee, 176, Somerville, disposed of Jimmy Bills, 168, Roxbury, in the third round.

▶ BOSTON — Mechanic's Building — Rocky Tomasello, 168½, Keyport, N. J., scored a stunning upset when he kayoed Billy Ryan, 174½, Lowell, in the tenth and final round of their feature bout. Ryan was well ahead on points having taken every previous round. In the tenth, Tomasello dropped Ryan with a right early in the round, a few seconds later Ryan slipped and in regaining his footing was slow in bringing his hands up. The Skeeter Stater swarmed over him with smashing head blows that dropped him for the full count.

Eddie Andrews, 156, Lowell, outpointed Sammy Walker, 158, Springfield, in the ten round co-feature. Andrews proved too strong and busy for the veteran battler who once held the New England middleweight championship. Pat McCarthy, Jr., 129½, Boston, and Bobby Soares, 128½, Providence, battled to a furious draw in an eight rounder. Jimmy Kelly, 130, Lowell, won over Tom Smith, 125, New York, in six rounds. Jimmy Connors, 128½, New Bedford, belted out Domingo Debarros, 126, Boston, in the first heat.

▶ BOSTON — Mechanic's Building — Johnny Busso, 139, New York, counterpunched his way to a clear cut ten round decision over highly-ranked Larry Boardman, 139¾, Marlborough, Conn., in a nationally televised fight. Boardman was dropped twice in the bout, the first time in the first round from a left hook and again in the third from a combination of head blows.

Joe DeNucci, 159½, Boston, annihilated Sandy Chani, 161, Marlboro (Mass.), in the last round of a sixer. Johnny Johnkin, 131, Boston, handed Rico Sacramone, 134, Everett, his first setback by taking a six round decision. Sal Cantino, 164, Boston, blasted out a one round kayo over Jimmy Tate, 163, Northampton. Billy Priest, 154¾, won a clear cut six rounder from Gene Lopes, 160, Boston. Rudy Sawyer, 156, New York, knocked out Rusty Davis, 150½, Providence, in the second of a sixer staged after the main event.

GERMAN BOXING DIARY
By J. A. Tree

BERLIN—THE "FIGHT OF THE YEAR" IN GERMANY LASTED ONLY 457 seconds with Peter Mueller, the middleweight champion, dethroned by Gustav Scholz in three rounds. The Berlin Sportpalast was filled to capacity with over 9,000 in attendance. The 27-year-old Scholz was a clear favorite to win and he did so in a convincing manner. Mueller, almost three years older, is the most active boxer in Germany since the war having taken part in 114 contests since 1947. He had lost only 14 of these.

Olympic winner, Edgar Basel (Manneheim), flyweight, outpointed Tamar Benhamed, (France) over four rounds. Ex-European amateur champion, Dieter Wemhoner (Berlin), outscored Herbert Soodmann (Essen) over 6 rounds. Middle contest. Heavy champion of Portugal, Kid Rocha, was KOed by Hans Kalbfell (Hagen) in two heats.

Max Heinze (Berlin), middle, won TKO 4 over Hans Paffenholz (Cologne). Horst Borzoskowski (Dusseldorf) drew 6 with Carmelo Beraza (Spain), middle. Heinz Sattler (Berlin) shared points with Hans Ducree (Essen) over 6 rounds.

▶ **Hamburg**—Germany's KO matador, Max Resch (Hamburg) brought about his 25th knockout victory at the expense of George Roe (Great Britain), stopping him in eight rounds. Resch has lost only one of his 32 professional starts, a KO defeat by Alex Buxton. Roe took a count in rounds six and seven, and after visiting the canvas three times in heat eight, the contest was stopped.

22-year-old Helmut Mistol (Hamburg) remains undefeated in 12 bouts stopping Max Meyer (France) in two heats.

Middle Butje Wohlers (Hamburg), 25 years of age, and undefeated in 19 contests, outscored Jean Ruellet (France) over eight rounds.

22-year-old Manfred Hass (Hamburg), middle, brought his total victories to six, with a points verdict over Bouyes (France) six rounds.

Olympic and European amateur champion Laszlo Papp (Hungary) outscored Gerhard Moll (Braunschweig) over six rounds.

Heavy Albert Westphal (Hamburg) WKO2 over Hans Strelecki (Dortmund).

DORTMUND—HEINZ NEWHAUS, GERMAN HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION, won on a foul from Joe Bygraves, British Empire titleholder, at the Westfalen Halle with only 3,000 attending in an arena that seats 18,000. Karl Heinz Bick and Siegfried Burrow were seriously injured, Bick passing away in the hospital where both were taken while Burrow recovered. Bick's death was due to a hemorrhage.

Referee Behrend Bergstroem disqualified Bygraves after he had been warned for low hits and then had struck his man after Neuhaus was down and the instructions to box on were not yet given.

In the other bouts, Laszlo Papp of Hungary, triple Olympic winner, outscored Herbert Sowa of Homborn in 4; Rold Peters, Dortmund, beat Friedhelm Krause, Dortmund, in 4. Uwe Janssen, Hamburg, stopped Albert Duscha, Herne, in 2; lightweight champion Manfred Neuke, Delmonhorst, stopped Karl Heinz Bick, Dortmund, in 10. Bick died following his removal to a hospital. Erich Walther, Hamburg, stopped Siegfried Burrow (Datteln) in 3, and Hans Friedrich, Dortmund, stopped Max Marsille, Belgium, in 3.

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